State of Florida



Public Service Commission

DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2000

TO: DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYÓ)

- FROM: DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (WALKER) RVE KOW DIVISION OF ECONOMIC REGULATION (GING ROD)
- RE: DOCKET NO. 001487-EI PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF MODIFICATION TO NON-FIRM ELECTRIC SERVICE TARIFF SHEETS AND PETITION FOR WAIVER OF RULE 25-6.0438(8), F.A.C., PERTAINING TO WRITTEN NOTICE TO TRANSFER TO FIRM SERVICE, BY TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY.
- AGENDA: 11/07/2000 REGULAR AGENDA INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE
- CRITICAL DATES: 60-DAY SUSPENSION DATE: 11/27/2000 90-DAY RULE WAIVER DATE: 12/27/2000

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

FILE NAME AND LOCATION: S:\PSC\ECR\WP\001487.RCM

ISSUE 1: Should the Commission suspend Tampa Electric Company's (TECO) proposed revisions to its non-firm electric service tariffs?

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: Yes. The Commission should suspend TECO's proposed revisions to its non-firm electric service tariffs. (GING)

STAFF ANALYSIS: On September 27, 2000, TECO petitioned for modification of its IS-1, IS-3, IST-1, IST-3, SBI-1 and SBI-3 rate schedules. These interruptible rate schedules currently require a five-year notice from customers who wish to return to firm service. TECO is proposing to require only a 3-year notice. Staff is recommending the tariff revisions be suspended to allow staff time to evaluate the petition.

Pursuant to Section 366.06(3), Florida Statutes, the Commission may withhold consent to the operation of all or any

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portion of a new rate schedule, delivering to the utility requesting such increase, within 60 days, a reason or written statement of good cause for doing so. Staff recommends that the proposed tariffs be suspended to allow staff the opportunity to review TECO's support documentation. Staff believes this is good cause, consistent with the requirement of Section 366.06(3), Florida Statutes.

ISSUE 2: Should this docket be closed?

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: No. The docket should remain open pending a final decision on the tariff. (WALKER)

<u>STAFF ANALYSIS</u>: The docket should remain open pending a final decision on the tariff.