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From: Office of Commissioner Brown

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Subject: Docket Nos. 20170198-EI and 20170199-EI - Correspondence

Attachments: 12-13-2017, Letter from Winter Haven.pdf

Please place the attached letter in Docket Correspondence, Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket Nos. 20170198-EI and 20170199-EI.

Thank you.



Office of the City Manager

December 13, 2017

The Honorable Julie I. Brown, Chairwoman and Members of the Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RE: Docket No. 20170198-EI; Docket No. 20170199-EI

Dear Chairwoman Brown and Members of the Florida Public Service Commission:

The City of Winter Haven has enjoyed a decades long relationship with Tampa Electric Company (TECO) as a valued community partner and service provider. Based on our relationship with TECO as well as the City's own interest in conservation of resources and funds, we are happy to extend our support of TECO's proposed Lighting Conversion Program.

Tampa Electric's proposed conversion will upgrade each LED with a networked lighting controller providing new communication and sensory ability to the LED. The NLC is what makes the light smart and positions these assets to detect, measure, and perform other non-traditional functions through other attached or local networked devices.

The new LED rates proposed as a part of the Lighting Conversion Program include many benefits while the overall average customer bill will be reduced. These overall savings, passed along to the City, will provide budgetary relief thereby delivering lasting benefits to citizens as other important projects can be funded.

The City of Winter Haven is excited about this program and believes our community will enjoy a long-lasting benefit.

Sincerely

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