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**VIA: ELECTRONIC FILING**

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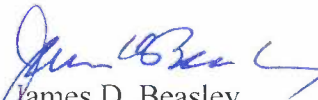
Re: Petition of Tampa Electric Company for Approval of Tariff Modification

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached for filing in the above-styled matter is Tampa Electric Company's Petition for Expedited Approval of Tariff Modification.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

  
James D. Beasley

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Attachment

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Tampa Electric Company )  
for Approval of Tariff Modification. )  
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DOCKET NO. \_\_\_\_\_

FILED: July 19, 2019

**PETITION OF TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY  
FOR EXPEDITED APPROVAL OF TARIFF MODIFICATION**

Tampa Electric Company (“Tampa Electric” or “the company”), pursuant to Section 366.04, Florida Statutes, petitions the Commission for expedited approval of a modification to the company’s Shared Solar Rider Tariff and, as grounds therefor, says:

1. The name, address, telephone number and facsimile number of the petitioner are:

Tampa Electric Company  
Post Office Box 111  
Tampa, FL 33601  
(813) 228-4111  
(813) 228-1770 (fax)

2. Tampa Electric is an investor-owned public utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission under Chapter 366, Florida Statutes.

3. All notices, pleadings and correspondence required to be served on the petitioner should be directed to:

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4. On June 3, 2019 the Commission entered its Order No. PSC-2019-0215-TRF-EI approving the company's Shared Solar Rider Tariff, ("SSR-1 Tariff"), now set forth in Tampa Electric Company's tariff at Original Sheet No. 3.300 and Original Sheet No. 3.305. The order approving the SSR-1 Tariff was followed by a Consummating Order No. PSC-2019-0266-CO-EI, issued July 1, 2019 in Docket No. 20180204-EI.

5. As stated in Order No. PSC-2019-0215, the company's approved SSR-1 Tariff provides an additional 17.5 MW solar generation to Tampa Electric's customers, and provides a reasonable alternative to customers who cannot otherwise invest in solar generation.

6. At the time Tampa Electric was preparing its SSR-1 Tariff the company's billing system had no way of allowing the provisions of the tariff to be made available to customers taking service under the company's levelized payment plan provision (known as "Budget Billing" in the tariff). As a consequence, the company included a Special Provision number 6 in its Original Tariff Sheet No. 3.305 providing that service under the SSR-1 Tariff would not be available to customers taking service under the company's levelized payment plan. The company's proposed SSR-1 tariff sheets that included that exclusion were approved on June 18, 2019 to become effective June 25, 2019.

7. Subsequent to the approval of the company's SSR-1 tariff sheets, including the exclusion of their applicability to customers taking service under the levelized payment plan, Tampa Electric determined a way to program its billing system in a manner that would allow the SSR-1 Tariff to be made available to customers taking service under the company's levelized payment plan. The discovery of that billing system modification now makes it possible for Tampa Electric to offer the Shared Solar option to these customers.

8. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" in both track change and clean formats are copies of Tampa Electric Company's First Revised Sheet No. 3.305, which deletes the exclusion of customers taking service under the company's levelized payment plan from those customers who may avail themselves of the company's SSR-1 Tariff. The removal of Special Provision number 6 from First Revised Sheet No. 3.305 will make available the company's SSR-1 Tariff benefits to levelized payment plan customers who have only been excluded because of limitations in the company's billing system. The SSR-1 Tariff provision should be made available to these customers for all the same reasons applicable to the company's other customers, as stated in Order No. PSC-2019-0215-TRF-EI.

9. Tampa Electric is not aware of any disputed issues of material fact regarding the matters set forth in this Petition.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric Company respectfully requests that the Commission approve on an expedited basis the company's modification to its Original Tariff Sheet No. 3.305 by deleting Special Provision number 6, thereby enabling customers taking service under Tampa Electric's levelized payment plan to avail themselves of the services provided in the company's SSR-1 Tariff.

DATED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 2019.

Respectfully submitted,



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**EXHIBIT "A"**

Continued from Sheet No. 3.300

**TERM OF SERVICE:** Subscription to the SSR-1 Rider will be for a period of one (1) month. The subscription will automatically renew on a month-to-month basis, until the customer provides notice of cancellation. After cancellation request is received, subscription will be removed from account within two billing cycles.

Requests to rejoin the SSR-1 Rider after previous cancellation may be subject to price changes and subscription availability. Participating customers who relocate to another Tampa Electric Company metered residence may transfer their subscription to the new premises. A participating customer cannot transfer their rights under this Rider to another customer.

**State or Federal Legislation Opt-Out Clause:** If State or Federal laws are instituted requiring Tampa Electric to provide renewable energy to all customers on some basis, the Company reserves the right to cancel all contracts and sales through this tariff without penalty.

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS:**

1. The bill calculated under this tariff is subject to change in such an amount as may be approved and/or amended by the Florida Public Service Commission.
2. Service hereunder is subject to the Rules and Regulations for Electric Service on file with the Florida Public Service Commission.
3. Billing will begin with the first billing cycle of the month following the month service under this Rider has been granted to the SSR-1 customer. Billing will cease should the Shared Solar facility utilized for service under this Rider cease operation for any reason or if the Opt-Out Clause listed above is enforced by Tampa Electric.
4. No charges made under this Rider in prior months will be refunded or adjusted if service under this Rider is discontinued for any reason.
5. The Company will retain ownership of the Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) and all other environmental attributes including but not limited to carbon emission reduction credits, which will not be otherwise sold by the Company. Customers may request to have RECs deposited into a designated account at their own expense.

~~6. Customers may not take service under the Levelized Payment Plan and Shared Solar Rider.~~

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