

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for approval of revised
underground residential distribution tariffs, by
Tampa Electric Company.

DOCKET NO. 20210064-EI
ORDER NO. PSC-2021-0182-PCO-EI
ISSUED: May 20, 2021

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

GARY F. CLARK, Chairman
ART GRAHAM
ANDREW GILES FAY
MIKE LA ROSA

ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

Background

On April 1, 2021, Tampa Electric Company (TECO) filed a petition for approval of its 2021 revisions to its underground residential and commercial differential tariffs and associated charges. These tariffs represent the additional costs, if any, TECO incurs to provide underground service in place of overhead service in new residential subdivisions. Specifically, TECO is proposing changes to the non-refundable deposit of its contribution-in-aid-of-construction for the conversion of existing overhead distribution facilities to underground. Also, TECO is proposing changes to the charges for single-phase underground service laterals from overhead distribution systems.

We have jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 366.03, 366.04, 366.05, and 366.06, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

Decision

Pursuant to Section 366.06(3), F.S., we may withhold consent to the operation of all or any portion of a new rate schedule, delivering to the utility requesting such a change a reason or written statement of good cause for doing so within 60 days. Commission staff has stated it needs additional time to review the petition and gather all pertinent information in order to present us with an informed recommendation on the tariff proposals. We find this reason to constitute good cause consistent with the requirement of Section 366.06(3), F.S.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Tampa Electric Company's underground residential and commercial differential tariffs are suspended. It is further

ORDERED that the docket shall remain open pending our final action on TECO's requested approval of the underground residential and commercial differential tariffs.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 20th day of May, 2021.



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The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code; or (2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Office of Commission Clerk, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.