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HAND DELIVERED

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Re: Determination of appropriate cost allocation and regulatory treatment of total revenues associated with wholesale sales to Florida Municipal Power Agency and City of Lakeland by Tampa Electric Company;
FPSC Docket No. 970171-EU

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of each of the following:

1. Tampa Electric Company's Response to Motion for Reconsideration filed on Behalf of Office of Public Counsel and the Florida Industrial Power Users Group.
2. Tampa Electric Company's Conditional Request for Oral Argument.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter and returning same to this writer.

ACK _____ Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

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Sincerely,

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cc: 1 All Parties of Record (w/encls.)

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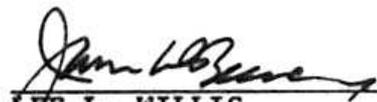
In re: Determination of appropriate)	
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with wholesale sales to Florida)	
Municipal Power Agency and City of)	
Lakeland by Tampa Electric Company.)	

**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S
CONDITIONAL REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT**

Office of Public Counsel ("OPC") and the Florida Industrial Power Users Group ("FIPUG") have requested oral argument on their Joint Motion for Reconsideration in this proceeding. As explained in Tampa Electric's response to the Joint Motion, OPC and FIPUG are simply attempting to reargue matters fully considered and decided by the Commission. Consequently, Tampa Electric does not believe oral argument is necessary. Instead, OPC's and FIPUG's Joint Motion should be summarily denied. However, if the Commission elects to schedule oral argument, Tampa Electric requests the opportunity to participate.

DATED this 12th day of November, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Conditional Response for Oral Argument, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been furnished by U. S. Mail or hand deliver (*) on this 12th day of November, 1997 to the following:

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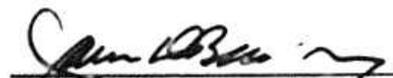
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