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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850



Re:

## REQUEST FOR SPECIFIED CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On behalf of TECO Power Services Corporation ("TPS") and pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-006, Florida Administrative Code, we hereby request confidential classification of the attached five-page document entitled:

TECO Power Services Corporation Annual Report to the Florida Public Service Commission ("Generation, Transmission & Distribution Utility Investments")

The attached report is submitted in compliance with Item No. 2 of the Foreign Utility Company Certification dated February 2, 1999 which the Commission issued and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The attached report consists of information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of TPS, the provider of the information. This report details foreign investment amounts (by project), investment plans and strategies, financial commitments and other terms and conditions of TPS's participation in this highly competitive market. As such, the information in question is entitled to confidential protection under Section 366.093(3)(e), Florida Statutes. This information is proprietary to TPS and TECO Energy, Inc. TPS respectfully requests that the Commission and Staff maintain this information on a confidential basis since it is directly related to TPS's market position in this industry.

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The attached report is marked "Confidential" and is highlighted throughout to reflect TPS's request that all of the content of the document be protected from public disclosure. All of the information contained in the report need to be protected given the narrative form of the report, the strategic and competitive nature of the information it contains and the brevity of the report.

In the transmittal letter to Chairman Garcia we have appended a page indicating that the single confidential version of the attached report is being submitted to your office under this request for confidential classification. Other supporting information filed on a regular basis with the Securities and Exchange Commission and which does not require confidential protection is being submitted directly to the Commissioners and the Staff on a non-confidential basis.

In closing, we respectfully request that the attached report be recognized and treated as confidential proprietary business information entitled to protection from public disclosure under the authority cited above.

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

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

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Attachment (confidential five-page report)