BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for approval of revised underground residential distribution tariffs, by Tampa Electric Company. DOCKET NO. 170073-EI ORDER NO. PSC-17-0176-PCO-EI ISSUED: May 16, 2017

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

JULIE I. BROWN, Chairman ART GRAHAM RONALD A. BRISÉ JIMMY PATRONIS DONALD J. POLMANN

ORDER SUSPENDING TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S PROPOSED TARIFF REVISIONS

BY THE COMMISSION:

Background

On March 31, 2017, Tampa Electric Company (TECO) filed a petition for approval of its revised underground residential distribution (URD) tariffs. URD tariffs reflect the additional costs TECO incurs to provide underground distribution service in place of overhead service, and are paid by the customer as a contribution-in-aid-of-construction. TECO's current charges were approved in Order No. PSC-15-0273A-TRF-EI.¹ This order hereby suspends the proposed tariff revisions. We have jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Section 366.06, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

Decision

We hereby suspend Tampa Electric Company's proposed tariffs in order to allow sufficient time to review the petition and gather all pertinent information for this Commission to make an informed decision on the tariff proposals.

Pursuant to Section 366.06(3), F.S., this Commission may withhold consent to the operation of all or any portion of a new rate schedule, delivering to the utility requesting such increase a reason or written statement of good cause for doing so within 60 days. For the reason

¹ Order No. PSC-15-0273A-TRF-EI, issued July 6, 2015, in Docket No. 150103-EI, <u>In re: Petition for approval of revised underground residential distribution tariff, by Tampa Electric Company</u>.

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stated above, we hereby find 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 Petition for approval of its Revised Underground Residential Distribution Tariffs is hereby suspended pending further review. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open pending this Commission's final decision of the proposed tariff revisions.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 16th day of May, 2017.

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Copies furnished: A copy of this document is provided to the parties of record at the time of issuance and, if applicable, interested persons.

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

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.