

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition for approval of ) DOCKET NO. 931136-EI  
a new summary billing program by ) ORDER NO. PSC-94-0037-FOF-EI  
Tampa Electric Company. ) ISSUED: January 11, 1994  
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK  
JULIA L. JOHNSON  
LUIS J. LAUREDO

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 24, 1993, Tampa Electric Company (TECO) filed with this Commission a petition seeking approval of a New Summary Billing Program. According to TECO the program will be available to customers with ten or more of its accounts. Under the program, a customer designates which accounts are to be included in the program. Those accounts will then be separated into two groups with each group billed once a month on cycle billing days as indicated by TECO. A separate bill will be attached to the summary bill as back-up information. The program does not involve any changes in the manner in which a customer's meter is read.

TECO indicates a condition of participation in the program is that the summary bill will become due 10 days after rendering. Further, that this 10-day requirement must be met in order to remain on the program, however the Commission's 20-day rule (Rule 25-6.101, Florida Administrative Code) will remain in effect for delinquency bill actions.

Also according to TECO, it proposes to render two summary bills a month. This should help minimize any cash flow reduction resulting from the time delay between when meters are read and when bills are rendered.

We have reviewed Tampa Electric Company's Summary Billing Program and find that it should be approved.

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In consideration of the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Tampa Electric Company's Petition for Approval of a New Summary Billing Program is approved. It is further

ORDERED that this Order shall become final and this docket shall be closed unless an appropriate petition for formal proceeding is received by the Division of Records and Reporting, 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on the date indicated in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 11th day of January, 1994.

  
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STEVE TRIBBLE, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), 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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on February 1, 1994.

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In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the date this Order becomes final, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.