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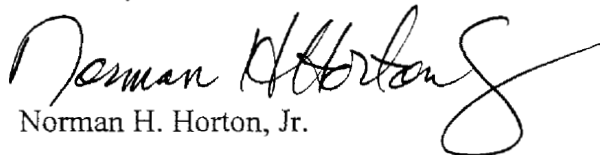
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Re: FPSC Docket No. 010131-TX

Dear Ms. Bayó:

This is to request that the above referenced docket which is consolidated with several other dockets in Item 27 for the February 20, 2001 Agenda be deferred until a later Agenda. The purpose of the deferral is to allow the Company and Staff an opportunity to discuss and reach resolution on the Staff Recommendation. Deferral would enable us to continue our discussions and avoid the necessity of issuing and responding to formal orders. This would facilitate the ultimate disposition of this docket.

Sincerely,

  
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Enclosure

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