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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director  
Division of Commission Clerk  
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Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
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Re: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause with Generating Performance  
Incentive Factor; FPSC Docket No. 010001-EI

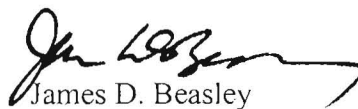
Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and ten (10) copies of Tampa  
Electric Company's Request for Specified Confidential Treatment.

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,

  
James D. Beasley

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Enclosures

cc: All parties of record (w/enc.)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Clause with Generating Performance Incentive	)	DOCKET NO. 010001-EI
Factor.	)	FILED: September 26, 2001
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**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S  
REQUEST FOR SPECIFIED CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT**

Tampa Electric Company (“Tampa Electric” or “the company”), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests confidential treatment of the highlighted portions of Tampa Electric Company’s Answers to Interrogatories Nos. 63, 65, 67 and 69 of Staff’s Second Set of Interrogatories and, as grounds therefor, says:

**As to the Natural Gas Pricing Information  
Contained in Tampa Electric Company’s Answers  
To Staff’s Interrogatories Nos. 63 and 65**

1. On September 5, 2001 Tampa Electric filed on a confidential basis its answers to Staff’s Second Set of Interrogatories, Interrogatories Nos. 63, 65, 67 and 69, together with a Notice of Intent to Seek Confidential Classification pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code.

2. The highlighted portions of the confidential interrogatory answers to Interrogatories Nos. 63 and 65 contain highly proprietary pricing information regarding negotiated purchases of natural gas from Tampa Electric suppliers.

3. Public disclosure of the highlighted contractual information would harm Tampa Electric’s ability to negotiate favorable natural gas pricing with other potential suppliers in that it would disclose to them the prices Tampa Electric has been willing to pay in recent periods. Such

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disclosure would establish a floor on prices offered by prospective suppliers who desire to secure as great a price as possible for the natural gas they sell. This would tend to increase price offers from natural gas suppliers from the price levels that otherwise would have been offered in the absence of the suppliers' access to this information.

4. The disclosure of this natural gas pricing information to Tampa Electric's competitors in the wholesale power market would provide them with information useful in competing with Tampa Electric for the wholesale sale of electricity. The information would disclose Tampa Electric's cost information thereby enabling Tampa Electric's wholesale competitors to better profile Tampa Electric's price flexibility for the power it sells.

5. In view of the foregoing the negotiated natural gas pricing information disclosed in the highlighted portions of Tampa Electric's answers to Staff's Interrogatories Nos. 63 and 64 constitutes information concerning bids or other contractual data the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of Tampa Electric to contract for goods or services on favorable terms. In addition, such information relates to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of Tampa Electric, the provider of the information. As such this information is specifically covered under Section 366.093(3)(d) and (e), Florida Statutes, and should be treated as confidential and not be disclosed to the public or to any competitor of Tampa Electric in the wholesale power market.

**As to Highlighted Information in  
Tampa Electric's Answers to  
Staff's Interrogatories Nos. 67 and 69**

6. Tampa Electric's answers to Interrogatories Nos. 67 and 69 supply the same type of information with respect to the company's residual oil commodity contracts as the company has supplied with respect to natural gas contracts in its answers to Interrogatories Nos. 63 and 65.

This highlighted information shows the terms and conditions of the price per barrel of oil negotiated between Tampa Electric and its suppliers. Public disclosure of this information or disclosure of it to any competitor of Tampa Electric in the wholesale electric power market would have the same adverse impacts on Tampa Electric and its customers as disclosure of the natural gas pricing information discussed above in connection with the company's answers to Staff Interrogatories Nos. 63 and 65. The arguments with respect to the need for confidential treatment of the natural gas pricing details are incorporated herein by reference as grounds for treating the oil commodity contract pricing and other confidential terms and conditions highlighted with respect to oil contracts in Tampa Electric's answers to Staff's Interrogatories Nos. 67 and 69 as confidential proprietary business information and exempt from public records disclosure.

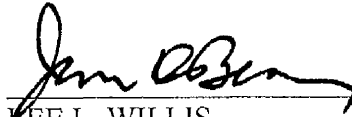
7. Tampa Electric treats all the information that is the subject of this request as confidential and has not disclosed it publicly.

8. Enclosed as Exhibit "A" are two public versions of Tampa Electric's Answers to Staff's Interrogatories Nos. 63, 65, 67 and 69 with the confidential proprietary business information redacted therefrom.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric respectfully requests that the Commission enter an order designating as confidential proprietary business information the highlighted portions of the company's answers to Staff's Second Set of Interrogatories, Interrogatories Nos. 63, 65, 67 and 69, filed with the Commission on a confidential basis on September 5, 2001.

DATED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Request for Specified Confidential Treatment, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been furnished by hand delivery (\*) or U. S. Mail on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2001 to the following:

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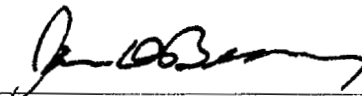
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