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> Re: Docket No.: 021051-EI

> > Complaint of The Links Homeowners Association, Inc.

against Tampa Electric Company

Our File No.: 7007.11

Dear Ms. Flynn:

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On January 31, 2003, the Public Service Commission conducted a telephone conference AUS — call between The Links Homeowners Association, Inc. and TECO concerning the abovereferenced complaint. During the aforementioned conference call, representatives of the Public Service Commission inquired whether the Links Homeowners Association had any responsibility CTR ____with regard to the creation of the lighting district which is referenced in our complaint. Please allow this correspondence to confirm that the creation of the lighting district in question was completely the responsibility of the developer of the community and at no time was The Links ...Homeowners Association, Inc. involved in the creation of the lighting district. SEC ___

OTH ____ In addition to the foregoing, representatives of the Public Service Commission also requested the precise date The Links Homeowners Association, Inc. was incorporated, as well as the date the developer of the community, Brandon Properties Partners, Ltd., turned the community over to the Association. Please allow this letter to confirm that The Links Homeowners Association, Inc. was incorporated on December 19, 1995 and turnover of the community occurred during 1998.

During the conference call referenced above, Public Service Commission representatives additionally asked whether the developer had transferred any maintenance contracts to the Association and whether the developer was still paying for any services of the Association.

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After turnover of the community from the developer to the Association, the developer ceased paying for any services of the Association. Moreover, corporate records do not indicate that any maintenance contracts were actually transferred from the developer to the Association.

Lastly, please allow this letter to advise that The Links Homeowners Association, Inc. does not believe that mediation would be beneficial to the parties in this particular case. Therefore, we must decline the Public Service Commission's request to mediate this dispute at this time.

If we may be of any additional assistance to you in this particular matter, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Eric N. Appleton Steven H. Mezer

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cc: The Links Homeowners Association, Inc. 280930.1