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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
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Florida Public Service Commission
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Re: Application of Cargill Fertilizer, Inc. to engage in self-service wheeling of waste heat cogenerated power to, from and between points within Tampa Electric Company's Service Territory; FPSC Docket No. 020898-EQ

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Mediation Status Report of Tampa Electric Company.

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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Enclosure

cc: All Parties of Record (w/enc.)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition By Cargill Fertilizer, Inc.)	DOCKET NO. 020898-EQ
For permanent approval of self-service wheeling)	FILED: July 10, 2003
to, from and between points within Tampa Electric)	
Company's service territory.)	
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MEDIATION STATUS REPORT OF TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-03-0773-PCO-EQ, issued by the Prehearing Officer in the above-mentioned Docket on June 30, 2003, Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "Company") hereby submits its status report addressing the prospects for mediation in this proceeding.

As directed by the Prehearing Officer, Tampa Electric contacted representatives of Cargill Fertilizer, Inc. ("Cargill") to discuss the possibility of formal mediation of the few matters left unresolved by the many months of informal but intensive settlement discussions that the parties have already conducted. However, given Cargill's continued insistence that the scope of any future mediation must be broadened to encompass many, if not all, of the issues that Cargill would raise in a litigated proceeding, the parties have been unable to agree on mutually acceptable terms for mediation. Given the significant time and effort that has already been invested in settlement discussions between the parties, and Cargill's refusal to build on the progress made during those settlement discussions, Tampa Electric sees no alternative but to ask for reinstatement of the procedural schedule.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric respectfully requests that the procedural schedule be reinstated and that Cargill be given the opportunity to meet its burden of proof in this proceeding through the expeditious filing of direct testimony.

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DATED this 10th day of July 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Mediation Status Report, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been served by hand delivery (*) or U.S. Mail on this 10th day of July 2003 to the following:

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