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Re: UNDQCKETED MATTER: Tampa Electric Company's
Vegetation Management Report

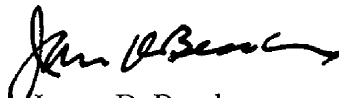
Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above-styled matter are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Request for Confidential Classification of its FERC required Vegetation Management Report Volume 1 of 1.

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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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Tampa Electric Company)
Vegetation Management Report.)

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**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "the company"), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, hereby request confidential treatment of the company's Vegetation Management Report, Volume 1 of 1, prepared pursuant to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Docket No. EL04-52-001, and as grounds therefor, says:

1. Tampa Electric is filing under separate cover letter a single highlighted copy of a FERC required report entitled Tampa Electric Company Vegetation Management Report Volume 1 of 1.

2. The FERC Order requiring this filing states, at paragraph 13, that the responses contained in this report shall be submitted in two parts including general responses and detailed responses with the detailed responses being filed under the protection of Critical Energy Infrastructure Information, as Contemplated in 18 CFR, Section 388.113(c)(1)(2000). Tampa Electric Company has highlighted in yellow the detailed response information containing Critical Energy Infrastructure Information and asks that it be treated as confidential proprietary business information as contemplated in 18 CFR, Section 388.113(c)(1)(2000).

3. The justification for treating the highlighted information as confidential proprietary business information is FERC's designation of the information as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information within the meaning of 18 CFR, Section 388.113(c)(1)(2000).

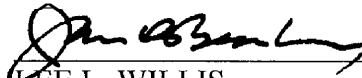
4. Tampa Electric is submitting under separate cover two redacted versions of the full Vegetation Management Report with the confidential information redacted.

4. Tampa Electric Company treats the confidential information as such and has not made it publicly available.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric submits the foregoing in support of its Request for Confidential Classification of the highlighted portions of Tampa Electric's FERC required Vegetation Management Report being filed under separate cover.

DATED this 17th day of June 2004

Respectfully submitted,



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