

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Tampa Electric)	DOCKET NO. 900348-EI
Company for approval of depreciation)	ORDER NO. 23070
rates for its Energy Management)	ISSUED: 6-13-90
System.)	
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

- MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman
- THOMAS M. BEARD
- BETTY EASLEY
- GERALD L. GUNTER

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION

ORDER PRESCRIBING DEPRECIATION RATES

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are adversely affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

On May 1, 1990 Tampa Electric Company (TECO or utility) filed with this Commission, a petition requesting approval of depreciation rates for a new Energy Management System installation. The system was placed in service in September, 1989 designed to facilitate the transmission, distribution and delivery of electric energy to TECO's customers. According to the utility the system performs operations such as monitoring the power network, forecasting the power network state, and automatically controlling generation and interchange. TECO states that the depreciation rate for the generic account of "Communication Equipment" is not appropriate for this system.

The utility indicates that its requested depreciation rate of 6.6% be implemented as of January 1, 1990. Also according to utility the installation is still in a process being unitized and for that reason the expenses are estimated and based on a projected average investment rather than the

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usual implementation date figure. The remaining life and salvage estimates of 14.7 years and 0%, respectively, are based on engineering projections of what might be expected from this new technology. As we understand it TECO will be coming in next year for its regular full-scale depreciation study, and at that time the life and salvage components of the new installation will be revisited.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the petition filed with the Tampa Electric Company to approve new depreciation rates for its Energy Management System are hereby approved.

ORDERED that if a protest is filed within 20 days of the date of this order it will be resolved by the appropriate Commission panel pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(3)(d), Florida Administrative Code.

ORDERED that this docket be closed should no protest, petition for formal proceeding or notice of appeal be timely filed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 13th day of JUNE, 1990.

STEVE TRIBBLE, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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by: Kay Flynn
Chief, Bureau of Records

NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that

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apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature and will not become effective or final, except as provided by Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.029(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a) and (f), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on July 5, 1990.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective on the day subsequent to the above date as provided by Rule 25-22.029(6), Florida Administrative Code, and as reflected in a subsequent order.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this order becomes final and effective on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.