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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-(850)

Re: Conservation Cost Recovery Clause
FPSC Docket No. 980002-EG

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket on behalf of Tampa Electric Company are fifteen (15) copies of each of the following:

1. Petition of Tampa Electric Company.
2. Prepared Direct Testimony of Howard T. Bryant and Exhibit (HTB-2) entitled Schedules Supporting Conservation Costs, Projected, April 1, 1998 - March 31, 1999.

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: Conservation Cost)
 Recovery Clause.)
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DOCKET NO. 980002-EG
 FILED: January 13, 1998

PETITION OF TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY

Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "the company"), hereby petitions the Commission for approval of the company's conservation cost recovery true-up and the cost recovery factor proposed for use during the period April 1998 - March 1999. In support thereof, the company says:

Conservation Cost Recovery

1. During the period October 1996 - September 1997, Tampa Electric incurred actual net conservation costs of \$18,970,247 plus a beginning true-up overrecovery of \$834,801, for a total of \$18,135,446. The amount collected through the Conservation Cost Recovery Clause was \$19,191,594. The true-up amount for October 1996 - September 1997 was an overrecovery of \$1,067,112, including interest. (See Exhibit HTB-1); Schedule CT-1 and CT-3, page 2 of 3).

2. During the period October 1997 - March 1998, the company anticipates incurring expenses of \$10,250,032. For the period the total net true-up underrecovery is estimated to be \$84,452, including interest. (See Exhibit (HTB-2); Schedule C-3, page 5 of 6).

3. For the forthcoming cost recovery period (April 1998 - March 1999), Tampa Electric projects its total incremental conservation costs to be \$20,929,555. Tampa Electric's total true-

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up and projected expenditures for the projection period are estimated to be \$21,014,007, including true-up estimates for October 1997 through March 1998. When the required true-up and projected expenditures are appropriately spread over the projected KWH sales for interruptible customers and firm retail customers pursuant to Docket No. 930759-EG, Order No. PSC-93-1645-FOF-EG dated December 29, 1993, the required conservation cost recovery factors for the period April 1998 - March 1999 are as follows: 0.011 cents per KWH for Interruptible, 0.165 cents per KWH for Residential, 0.161 cents per KWH for General Service Non-Demand and Temporary Service, 0.135 cents per KWH for General Service Demand and Electric Vehicle - Experimental - Secondary, 0.133 cents per KWH for General Service Demand and Electric Vehicle - Experimental - Primary, 0.125 cents per KWH for General Service Large Demand and Firm Standby - Secondary, 0.124 cents per KWH for General Service Large Demand and Firm Standby - Primary, 0.123 cents per KWH for General Service Large Demand and Firm Standby - Subtransmission, and 0.063 cents per KWH for Lighting. (See Exhibit (HTB-2); Schedule C-1, page 1 of 2.)

Order of Presentation of Witnesses

Tampa Electric will present one witness on:

Conservation Cost Recovery - Howard T. Bryant

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric Company requests that its proposals relative to conservation cost recovery be approved as they relate

to prior period true-up calculations and projected cost recovery charges.

DATED this 13th day of January, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,



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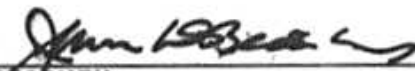
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