

NOTICE OF HEARING AND PREHEARING

TO

TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

DOCKET NO. 980693-EI - PETITION BY TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY
FOR APPROVAL OF COST RECOVERY FOR A NEW ENVIRONMENTAL
PROGRAM, THE BIG BEND UNITS 1 & 2 FLUE GAS
DESULFURIZATION SYSTEM.

ISSUED: July 16, 1998

NOTICE is hereby given that the Florida Public Service Commission will hold a public hearing in the above docket at the following time and place:

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 2, 1998
4075 Esplanade Way
Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center
Tallahassee, Florida

Friday, September 11, 1998, has also been reserved for continuation of the hearing if needed. The starting time of the next day's session will be announced at the conclusion of the prior day. The hearing may be adjourned early if all testimony is concluded.

PURPOSE AND PROCEDURE

The purpose of this hearing shall be to allow Tampa Electric Company to present its testimony and exhibits in support of its petition for approval of cost recovery; to permit any intervenors to present testimony and exhibits concerning this matter; and for such other purposes as the Commission may deem appropriate. All witnesses shall be subject to cross-examination at the conclusion of their testimony. The proceedings will be governed by the provisions of Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and Chapters 25-22, and 28-106, Florida Administrative Code.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this hearing because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (850) 413-6770 at least five calendar days prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired

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should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

PREHEARING CONFERENCE

A prehearing conference will be conducted at the following time and place:


9:30 a.m., Friday, August 21, 1998
4075 Esplanade Way
Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center
Tallahassee, Florida

The purpose of this prehearing conference will be to consider: (1) the simplification of the issues; (2) the identification of the positions of the parties on the issues; (3) the possibility of obtaining admissions of fact and of documents which will avoid unnecessary proof; (4) the identification of the exhibits; (5) the establishment of an order of witnesses; and (6) such other matters as may aid in the disposition of the action.

JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction over this matter is vested in the Commission by Chapter 366, Florida Statutes. This proceeding will be governed by the provisions of Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, as well as Chapters 25-6, 25-22, and 28-106, Florida Administrative Code.

By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 16th day of July, 1998.



BLANCA S. BAYO, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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