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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Petition for Approval of Tampa Electric Company's 1999 Depreciation Study
FPSC Docket No. 990529-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Amended Petition for Approval of 1999 Depreciation Study.

In addition, the diskette which accompanied the company's April 28, 1999 Petition in this docket contains Tampa Electric Company's 1999 Dismantlement Study.

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: Petition for Approval of)
Tampa Electric Company's)
1999 Depreciation Study.)
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DOCKET NO. 990529-EI
FILED: May 3, 1999

**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S AMENDED PETITION
FOR APPROVAL OF 1999 DEPRECIATION STUDY**

Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "the company"), pursuant to Rule 25-6.0436, Fla. Admin. Code, submits this its Petition for approval of the company's 1999 Depreciation Study, and in support thereof, says:

- 1. The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner are as follows:

Tampa Electric Company
Post Office Box 111
Tampa, FL 33601
(813) 228-4111
(813) 228-1770 (fax)

- 2. Tampa Electric requests that copies of all pleadings, orders, notices and other documents submitted in this proceeding be furnished to the following:

Angela Llewellyn
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Tampa Electric Company
Post Office Box 111
Tampa, FL 33601
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- 3. Tampa Electric has prepared and simultaneously submits herewith the company's 1999 Depreciation Study consisting of one volume with the results of the study summarized therein.

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4. The company has prepared its Depreciation Study consistent with Rule 25-6.0436, Fla Admin. Code and seeks to have the same approved for use in represeting the company's depreciation rates.

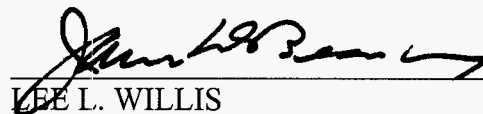
5. Tampa Electric requests that its proposed depreciation rates be approved for implementation on an interim basis as soon as possible. The company also requests that its proposed rates be effective January 1, 1999 and that its final rates be approved effective January 1, 1999.

6. Tampa Electric is not aware of any disputed issues of material fact relative to the matters set forth in this Petition.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric submits the accompanying 1999 Depreciation Study for approval by the Commission and requests that company's proposed depreciation rates be implemented on an interim basis as soon as possible with the company's proposed depreciation rates effective January 1, 1999 and the company's final rates become effective January 1, 1999.

DATED this 3rd day of May 1999.

Respectfully submitted,



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