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Re: Generic Investigation into Aggregate Electric Utility Reserve margins Planned for Peninsular Florida; FPSC Docket No. 981890-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in this docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of each of the following:

1. Tampa Electric Company's Request for Expedited Status Conference and Preliminary Prehearing Conference. 07129-99
2. Tampa Electric Company's Motion for Extension of Time to File Testimony. 07130-99

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: Generic investigation into the)
aggregate electric utility reserve)
margins planned for Peninsular)
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DOCKET NO. 981890-EU
FILED: June 10, 1999

**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED STATUS
CONFERENCE AND PRELIMINARY PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "the company") submits this its Request for an Expedited Status Conference and Preliminary Prehearing Conference. In support thereof, the company states:

1. Tampa Electric is an investor-owned electric public utility company regulated by this Commission pursuant to Chapter 366, Florida Statutes.

2. This proceeding was initiated as a generic investigation. However, the docket appears to be evolving into something much different based on the conduct of informal issue identification meetings and issue lists proposed by the Commission's Staff and various other meeting participants.

3. Tampa Electric is not aware of any formally proposed Commission agency action or any proposed rulemaking associated with this docket. However, the initial and revised orders establishing procedure in this docket call for the filing of testimony by the regulated electric utilities and others in the near future on issues that have yet to be formally identified in a manner consistent with due process. Even more disconcerting is the fact that the informally developed issues list addresses far-reaching matters that could significantly affect Tampa Electric and its

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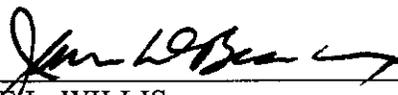
customers and bring about significant changes in Commission regulatory policy. Any issues having such an effect should not be casually developed in a generic investigative docket.

4. At this point Tampa Electric is faced with a testimony filing date of July 6, 1999 on issues that have yet to be formally identified. A status conference and a preliminary prehearing conference are essential to define the direction of this docket and to ensure that due process is afforded all concerned.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric respectfully requests the Commission convene an expedited status conference and preliminary prehearing conference for the purposes stated herein.

DATED this 10th day of June 1999.

Respectfully submitted,



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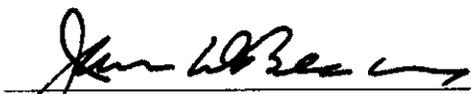
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