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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: Application of Tampa Electric Company for authority to issue and sell securities during the 12 months ending November 30, 2000, pursuant to Section 366.04 F.S., and Chapter 25-8, F.A.C; FPSC Docket No. 991139-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Motion to Extend its Existing Authority to Issue and Sell Securities.

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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In re: Application of Tampa Electric Company)
for authority to issue and sell securities during)
the 12 months ending November 30, 2000,)
pursuant to Section 366.04 F.S., and Chapter)
25-8, F.A.C.)
_____)

DOCKET NO. 991139-EI
FILED: August 4, 2000

**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S MOTION TO EXTEND
ITS EXISTING AUTHORITY TO ISSUE AND SELL SECURITIES**

Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "the company"), pursuant to Section 366.04, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-8.001 et seq., Florida Administrative Code, moves the Commission to extend for one month, through and including December 31, 2000, the company's currently approved authority to issue and sell securities and, as grounds therefor, says:

1. On October 20, 1999 the Commission entered its Order No. PSC-99-2060-FOF-EI in this docket approving Tampa Electric Company's application for authority to issue and sell securities during the twelve months ending November 30, 2000.

2. Tampa Electric Company desires to conform its annual authority to issue and sell securities with the company's fiscal year, which is the calendar year ending December 31. By separate petition Tampa Electric Company is applying for authority to issue and sell securities during the twelve month period ending December 31, 2001.

3. The purpose for this motion is to enable the company to have the required authority should it need to issue and sell securities during the one month period (December 2000) between the expiration of the company's existing authority and the authority to issue and sell securities the company is applying for use during calendar year 2001.

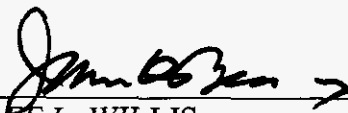
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4. The unused levels of the various types of securities Tampa Electric was authorized to issue during the twelve months ending November 30, 2000 appear adequate to accommodate any need the company may have to issue and sell securities during the month of December 2000. In addition, the matters alleged in the company's initial application for authority to issue and sell securities during the twelve months ending November 30, 2000 have not changed materially since that application was filed.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric Company respectfully moves the Commission to approve a one month extension, through and including December 31, 2000, of the authority for the company to issue and sell securities which the Commission approved in Order No. PSC-99-2060-FOF-EI.

DATED this 4th day of August 2000.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Motion to Extend, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been filed by hand delivery (*) or U. S. Mail on this 4th day of August 2000 to the following:

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Florida Public Service Commission
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