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MARCH 4, 2003

RE: Docket No. 030001-EI - Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with generating performance incentive factor.

ISSUE 1: Should the Commission approve a mid-course correction to Tampa Electric's authorized fuel and purchased power cost recovery factors to collect its projected \$60.6 million under-recovery for 2003?

RECOMMENDATION: No. Instead, the Commission should authorize Tampa Electric to recover during the period April through December, 2003, \$34.6 million of its projected 2003 under-recovery of fuel and purchased power costs due to higher projected natural gas and residual oil prices. Also, the Commission should authorize Tampa Electric to recover in 2003 \$26.0 million of its 2002 under-recovery of \$28.6 million. The Commission would authorize Tampa Electric to collect a total of \$60.6 million from April through December, 2003. The Commission should defer recovery of the \$26.0 million in replacement power costs associated with the early shutdown of Gannon Units 1-4 until the Commission determines the prudence of this decision. Any over-recovery that Tampa Electric collects due to the proposed fuel cost recovery factors will be refunded to Tampa Electric's ratepayers with interest.

*Additionally, staff ~~with~~ <sup>was directed to</sup> schedule discussions with TECO, OPC, and FIPUG concerning early shutdown of Gannon Units 1-4.*

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

*[Handwritten signatures of majority commissioners]*

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ISSUE 2: If the Commission approves Tampa Electric's petition for a mid-course correction, what should be the effective date of the mid-course correction?

RECOMMENDATION: The effective date should be the cycle one billing day for April 2003, which falls on March 31, 2003. If the Commission does not approve recovery of any additional under-recovery amounts, this issue is moot.

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ISSUE 3: Should this docket be closed?

RECOMMENDATION: No.

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