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

Re: Review of Tampa Electric Company's waterborne transportation contract with
TECO Transport and associated benchmark; FPSC Docket No. 031033-EI

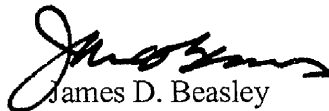
Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Response to Office of Public Counsel's First Request for Production of Documents (Nos. 1-9).

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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Enclosures

cc: All Parties of Record (w/encls.)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Review of Tampa Electric Company's)
Waterborne transportation contract with) DOCKET NO. 031033-EI
TECO Transport and associated benchmark.) FILED: January 5, 2004
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**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE
TO OFFICE OF PUBLIC COUNSEL'S
FIRST REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS (NOS. 1-9)**

Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "the company") pursuant to Rule 1.350(b), Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, files this its response to the Office of Public Counsel's ("OPC's") First Request for Production of Documents and says that it has this date provided OPC answers to each of the listed document requests not objected to.

DATED this 5th day of January 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Response, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been furnished by U. S. Mail or hand delivery (*) on this 5th day of January 2004 to the following:

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