BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Review of Tampa Electric Company's Waterborne transportation contract with TECO Transport and associated benchmark.

DOCKET NO. 031033-EI FILED: October 27, 2004

TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

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Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or "the company"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests the opportunity to present oral argument to the full Commission in support of the company's Motion for Reconsideration and/or Clarification and the company's Request for Official Recognition and Motion to Reopen Record and, as grounds therefor, says:

1. On October 12, 2004 the Commission issued Order No. PSC-04-0999-FOF-EI (the "Order"), in the above-mentioned docket. On October 27, 2004, Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric") filed with this Commission a Motion for Reconsideration and/or Clarification concerning the Order together with the company's Request for Official Recognition and Motion to Reopen Record.

2. Tampa Electric believes that oral argument on the matters raised in the above listed pleadings will assist the Commission in its deliberations by providing a more complete presentation of the relevant facts as they bear on the matters at issue. Oral argument would also provide the Commission with the opportunity to request clarification, as necessary.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric respectfully requests that the Commission schedule oral argument before the full Commission on Tampa Electric's Motion For Reconsideration and/or

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE II609 OCT 27 명 FPSC-COMMISSION CLERK Clarification of Order No. PSC-04-0999-FOF-EI and the company's Request for Official Recognition and Motion to Reopen Record.

DATED this 27th day of October 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Request for Oral Argument, filed on

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