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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
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Re: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause with Generating
Performance Incentive Factor; FPSC Docket No. 050001-EI

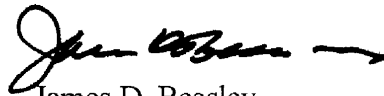
Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Request for Confidential Classification and for a Protective Order of portions of its answers to Staff's Fifth Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 17-69).

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

JDB/pp
Enclosure

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

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery)
Clause with Generating Performance Incentive) DOCKET NO. 050001-EI
Factor.) FILED: October 4, 2005
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REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION
AND FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER

Tampa Electric Company (“Tampa Electric” or “the company”), pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests confidential classification of certain highlighted information contained in portions of its answers to the Florida Public Service Commission Staff’s Fifth Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 17-69). The confidential information in question appears on page 1 of 1 of the company’s answer to Interrogatory No. 51; page 1 of 1 of Interrogatory No. 65; and page 1 of 1 of Interrogatory No. 69 (referred to as the “Confidential Information”). A single yellow highlighted copy of the Confidential Information contained in Interrogatory Nos. 51, 65 and 69 are being separately filed with the Commission this date. This request is also intended to serve as a request for a protective order, within the contemplation of Rule 25-22.006(6)(b), Florida Administrative Code, such that it will protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure while in the possession of the Office of Public Counsel. Attached hereto as Exhibit “A” is a justification for designating the Confidential Information proprietary confidential business information under the above-referenced statute and rule.

1. Subsection 366.093(1), Florida Statutes, provides that any records “found by the Commission to be proprietary confidential business information shall be kept confidential and

shall be exempt from s.119.07(1) [requiring disclosure under the Public Records Act].” The proprietary confidential business information includes, but is not limited to:

(d) Information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms. (Section 366.093(3)(d), Florida Statutes)

2. Proprietary confidential business information also includes:

(e) Information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of the information. (Section 366.093(3)(e), Florida Statutes)

3. The Confidential Information falls within the above statutory categories and, thus, constitutes proprietary confidential business information entitled to protection under Section 366.093 and Rule 25-22.006.

4. The material for which confidential classification is sought is intended to be and is treated by Tampa Electric as private and has not been disclosed.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric respectfully requests that the highlighted Confidential Information set forth in its Answers to Staff's Fifth Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 17-69) and Second Production of Documents (Nos. 3-16) be accorded confidential classification for the reasons set forth above.

DATED this 4th day of October 2005.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Request for Confidential Classification, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been furnished by U. S. Mail or hand delivery (*) on this 4th day of October 2005 to the following:

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**JUSTIFICATION FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF HIGHLIGHTED
PORTIONS OF TAMPA ELECTRIC'S RESPONSES TO
STAFF'S FIFTH SET OF INTERROGATORIES (NOS. 17-69)**

<u>Bates Stamp Page No.</u>	<u>Interrogatory No.</u>	<u>Detailed Description</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
39	51 (Page 1 of 1)	The Highlighted Dollar Amount	(1)
53	65 (Page 1 of 1)	All Highlighted Dollar Amounts	(1)
57	69 (Page 1 of 1)	The Highlighted Information	(1)

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- (1) The information in question is entitled to confidential treatment as confidential proprietary business information pursuant to Section 366.093(3)(d) and (e), Florida Statutes. The information is a privately negotiated price or substantive term or condition of a contract between Tampa Electric and one of its coal suppliers. Public dissemination of this privately negotiated contract price or substantive contract term or condition would adversely affect Tampa Electric in future coal supply contract negotiations in that it would provide all potential bidders with knowledge as to what price, terms or conditions Tampa Electric will agree to include in a coal supply agreement. This would assist potential bidders in proposing a contract price or contract terms and conditions most advantageous to the bidder and disadvantageous to Tampa Electric and its customers. As such, this information meets the statutory definition of information concerning bids or other contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the public utility to contract for goods or services on favorable terms. Moreover, it is information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of Tampa Electric, entitling the information to confidential treatment under Section 366.093(3)(e), Florida Statutes.