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## HAND DELIVERED

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

Re:

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Environmental Cost Recovery Clause

FPSC Docket No. 060007-EI

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Potential New Environmental Projects for 2007.

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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## Tampa Electric Company Potential New Environmental Projects for 2007

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As of the date of this filing, Tampa Electric anticipates the inclusion of one new project in its 2007 Environmental Cost Recovery Clause ("ECRC") Projection Filing.

On March 15, 2005, pursuant to its authority under the federal Clean Air Act, the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") adopted the final Clean Air Mercury Rule ("CAMR"). CAMR employs a cap on total mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants in order to achieve significant emissions reductions. CAMR is estimated to reduce mercury nation-wide by 70 percent. All qualifying coal fired units must install Continuous Mercury Monitoring Systems by January 2009.

Mercury emissions from new and existing coal-fired plants will be capped at specified, nation-wide levels in two phases. For the first phase, which is effective 2010, nation-wide mercury levels are capped at approximately 38 tons per year. For the second phase, which is effective 2018, the nation-wide mercury levels are capped at approximately 15 tons per year.

Tampa Electric anticipates filing a petition within the next month requesting ECRC cost recovery for the development and implementation of a plan to comply with EPA's new CAMR rule. It is anticipated that both operational and maintenance ("O&M") as well as capital expenditures will be identified in the petition.