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Re: Petition for Rate Increase by Tampa Electric Company
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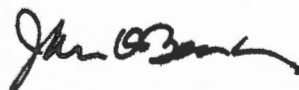
Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Request for Confidential Classification and Motion for Temporary Protective Order pertaining to answers to Office of Public Counsel's Third Request for Production of Documents No. 23.

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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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for Rate Increase)
by Tampa Electric Company.)
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DOCKET NO. 130040-EI

FILED: May 16, 2013

**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION
AND MOTION FOR TEMPORARY 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 request confidential classification of the yellow highlighted information contained in the following described document(s) ("the Document(s)") stamped "CONFIDENTIAL" and all information that is or may be printed on yellow paper stock stamped "CONFIDENTIAL" within the Document(s), all of said confidential information being hereinafter referred to as "Confidential Information."

Description of Document(s)

Bates stamp pages 5, 6, 7 and 8 produced in Tampa, Florida on May 13, 2013 in response to Office of Public Counsel's Third Request for Production of Documents, consisting of four pages of excerpts from credit agency presentations filed on a confidential basis in the above matter. In support of this request, the company states:

1. Subsection 366.093(1), Florida Statutes, provides that any records "found by the Commission to be propriety confidential business information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes [requiring disclosure under the Public Records Act]." Proprietary confidential business information includes, but is not limited to "[i]nformation concerning . . . contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the efforts

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of the public utility or its affiliates to contract for goods or services on favorable terms.” Subsection 366.093(3)(d), Florida Statutes. Proprietary confidential business information also includes “[i]nformation 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. The Confidential Information that is the subject of this request and motion falls within the statutory categories and, thus, constitutes proprietary confidential business information entitled to protection under Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code.

2. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is a justification for confidential treatment of the Confidential Information contained in the Document(s).

3. Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" are two public versions of the Document(s) with the Confidential Information redacted, unless previously filed as indicated.

4. The Confidential Information contained in the Document(s) is intended to be and is treated by Tampa Electric as private and has not been publicly disclosed.

5. For the same reasons set forth herein in support of its request for confidential classification, Tampa Electric also moves the Commission for entry of a temporary protective order pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(6)(c), Florida Administrative Code, protecting the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

Requested Duration of Confidential Classification

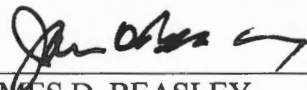
6. Tampa Electric requests that the Confidential Information be treated by the Commission as confidential proprietary business information for at least the 18 month period prescribed in Rule 25-22.006(9)(a), Florida Administrative Code. If, and to the extent that the company is in need of confidential classification of the Confidential Information beyond the 18

month period set forth in the Commission rule, the justification and grounds for such extended confidential treatment are set forth in Exhibit "C" to this request and motion.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric Company respectfully requests that the Confidential Information that is the subject of this request and motion be accorded confidential classification for the reasons set forth herein and for a minimum period of 18 months, subject to any request for a longer period of confidential classification as may be set forth in Exhibit "C" to this request and motion. The company further moves for the entry of a temporary protective order pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(6)(c), Florida Administrative Code, protecting the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

DATED this 16th day of May, 2013.

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 and Motion for Temporary Protective Order, filed on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, has been served by hand delivery (*) or U. S. Mail on this 16th day of May, 2013 to the following:

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**JUSTIFICATION FOR CONFIDENTIAL
TREATMENT OF HIGHLIGHTED PORTIONS
OF TAMPA ELECTRIC'S RESPONSES TO OPC'S THIRD
SET OF PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS (FILED MAY 16, 2013)**

<u>POD Request No.</u>	<u>Bates Page Nos.</u>	<u>Detailed Description</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
23	5, 6, 7 and 8	All Information on Listed Pages	(1)

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- (1) The information contained on the listed pages includes Tampa Electric's credit profile from rating agencies and rating agency presentations about anticipated credit needs from Tampa Electric. The disclosure of the credit ratings could allow financial institutions to modify terms of prospective agreements by increasing borrowing costs. As such public disclosure of the information contained on these pages would adversely affect the competitive interests of Tampa Electric and its ability to contract for goods and services on favorable terms. The disclosure of this information would therefore be harmful to competitive interests, and as such, the information is entitled to confidential treatment pursuant to Section 366.093, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code. This type of information has been recognized by the Commission on numerous occasions to constitute proprietary confidential business information the disclosure of which would be harmful to the competitive interests of Tampa Electric since credit rating agency presentations contain sensitive information not available publicly.

PUBLIC VERSION(S) OF THE DOCUMENT(S)

Attached hereto (unless previously filed as may be noted below) are two public versions of the Document(s) with the Confidential Information redacted.

Public Version(s) of the Document(s) attached _____

Public Version(s) of the Document(s) would be entirely redacted and, therefore, are not being supplied.

REQUESTED DURATION OF CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Tampa Electric requests that the Confidential Information that is the subject of this request be treated as proprietary confidential business information exempt from the Public Records Law for a minimum of 18 months from the date of the order granting such classification. To the extent the company needs confidential protection of the Confidential Information for a period longer than 18 months, the company's justification therefore is set forth below:

n/a