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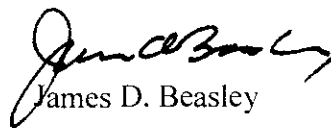
VIA: ELECTRONIC FILINGMs. Carlotta S. Stauffer
Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850Re: Petition for Approval of Revised Net Metering Tariff and Agreement Adopting
Terms of Standard Interconnection Agreement for Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3
Renewable Generator Systems

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

Attached for filing in the above-styled matter is Tampa Electric Company's Petition for
Approval of Revised Net Metering Tariff and Agreement Adopting Terms of Standard
Interconnection Agreement for Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 Renewable Generator Systems.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,


James D. BeasleyJDB/pp
Attachment

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for Approval of)
Revised Net Metering Tariff and)
Agreement Adopting Terms of)
Standard Interconnection Agreement)
for Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3)
Renewable Generator Systems.)
_____)

DOCKET NO. _____

FILED: March 27, 2015

PETITION

Tampa Electric Company (“Tampa Electric” or “the company”), pursuant to Chapter 366.06, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-6.065(7)(d), Florida Administrative Code, files this Petition for Approval of Revised Net Metering Tariff and Agreement Adopting Standard Interconnection Agreement for Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 Renewable Generator Systems and, in support thereof states:

1. Tampa Electric is an investor-owned electric utility operating under the jurisdiction of this Commission and serving retail customers in Hillsborough and portions of Polk, Pinellas and Pasco Counties. The company’s principal offices are located at 702 North Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602.

2. The persons to whom all notices and other documents should be sent in connection with this docket are:

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3. In this petition, Tampa Electric seeks Commission approval for a modification to its Net Metering Tariff (NM-1) and an associated new agreement that facilitates the adoption of the terms, conditions, and obligations of an existing Standard Interconnection Agreement for Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 Renewable Generator Systems by tenants who lease premises with pre-existing customer-owned renewable generating facilities installed by the property owner.

Background

4. Tampa Electric currently provides net-metering service under its NM-1 tariff for customers who install customer-owned renewable electrical generation facilities under 2,000 kW. These customers must execute a Standard Interconnection Agreement (“SIA”) to be eligible for service under the NM-1 tariff. This requirement also applies to customers who rent or lease premises that include customer-owned renewable generation equipment previously approved for interconnection by Tampa Electric and currently covered under an executed SIA with the property owner prior to the new renting or leasing customer establishing a relationship with Tampa Electric.

5. While new renting or leasing tenants may be knowledgeable of the benefits of the customer-owned renewable generation equipment and the net metering service from Tampa Electric, they often have little technical knowledge of the customer-owned renewable generating equipment and the obligations associated with such equipment including the required execution of a SIA. Tampa Electric has found that such new renting or leasing customers often question why they must accept responsibility through signature to a brand new SIA for a customer-owned renewable generation system that they do not own.

6. The company believes that the best course of conduct with regard to this situation is to continue to administer the original SIA which was executed with the property owner who continues to own the customer-owned renewable generation system since the property owner is

ultimately responsible for the interconnection and the equipment. However, because the renter is entitled to the use and benefit of the renewable generation located at the premises during their tenancy at the premises, Tampa Electric believes the renter or lessee should abide by the terms, conditions, and obligations set forth in the original SIA that relate to safety and govern the use, operations and maintenance of that equipment.

Request

7. The company is proposing to modify the NM-1 Tariff eligibility requirement for renters or lessees of premises with customer-owned renewable generation equipment by requiring them to sign a different agreement which commits them to adopt the applicable terms and conditions of the original SIA that is currently in place between the property owner and the company that relate to safety and govern use, operation, and maintenance of the equipment covered by that original SIA signed by the property owner. Revised Tariff Sheet No. 3.255 reflects the proposed change to the eligibility requirement for renters substituting execution of the Agreement Adopting Standard Interconnection Agreement for Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 Renewable Generator Systems (“AASIA”) in place of the SIA. Both Revised Tariff Sheet No. 3.255 and the AASIA are set forth in composite Exhibit “A” in both standard and legislative formats.

8. The company believes that the adoption of the AASIA, which addresses only the specific obligations of a renter or lessee moving into a premises with a pre-existing SIA with the property owner, will facilitate a less contentious interaction with such renters or lessees and address only the matters pertinent to such a tenant with regard to the interconnection with the customer-owned renewable generation system. In this way, agreement can be reached with less concern on the part of the tenant as to their obligations and a fair sharing of the overall

obligations between the owner and the tenant with regard to the customer-owned renewable generation system. The AASIA would not be utilized for any sale of the property to a new owner. In that case the existing SIA would either be assigned or replaced with a new SIA.

9. Tampa Electric knows of no disputed issues of material fact relative to the tariff changes proposed herein.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric requests that this Commission approve the company's proposed revised Tariff Sheet No. 3.255 and Agreement Adopting Standard Interconnection Agreement for Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 Renewable Generator Systems attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Dated this 27th day of March, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,



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EXHIBIT A



NET METERING SERVICE

SCHEDULE: NM-1

AVAILABLE: Entire Service Area.

APPLICABLE: This schedule is applicable to a customer who:

1. Takes retail electric service from Tampa Electric under an otherwise applicable rate schedule (OAS) at their premises;
2. Uses a renewable electrical generating facility ("Eligible Customer Generator") with a capacity of not more than 2,000 kilowatts that is located on the customer's owned, leased, or rented premises and that is intended primarily to offset part or all of the customer's own electrical requirements;
3. Is interconnected and operates in parallel with Tampa Electric's transmission or distribution systems; and
4. Provides Tampa Electric with a completed signed Standard Interconnection Agreement (SIA) for Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 Renewable Generator Systems.

A customer who owns, rents or leases a premises that includes an Eligible Customer Generator, that was previously approved by Tampa Electric for interconnection prior to the customer moving in and/or taking electric service with Tampa Electric (Change of Party Customer), will take service on this tariff as long as the requirements of this section are met. To be eligible, the Change of Party Customer must have a completed signed "Agreement Adopting Standard Interconnection Agreement".

At the NM-1 customer's sole discretion, service may be taken under one of Tampa Electric's standby rate schedules SBF or SBFT with or without GSLM-3, if it is not already their OAS. Customers taking service under IS or IST schedules who take NM-1 service may, at their sole discretion, choose to take service under one of Tampa Electric's standby rate schedule SBI, as applicable, if it is not already their OAS.

MONTHLY RATE: All rates charged under this schedule will be in accordance with the Eligible Customer Generator's OAS. A Customer served under this schedule is responsible for all charges from its OAS including monthly minimum charges, basic service charges, meter charges, facilities charges, demand charges and surcharges. Charges for energy (kWh) supplied by Tampa Electric will be based on the net metered usage in accordance with Billing (see below).



FIFTH REVISED SHEET NO. 8.015
CANCELS FOURTH REVISED SHEET NO. 8.015

Title	Sheet No.
<u>Standard Interconnection Agreement for Tier 1 Renewable Generator Systems</u>	8.1000
<u>Agreement Adopting Standard Interconnection Agreement for Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 Renewable Generator Systems</u>	8.1031
<u>Standard Interconnection Agreement for Tier 2 Renewable Generator Systems</u>	8.1035
<u>Standard Interconnection Agreement for Tier 3 Renewable Generator Systems</u>	8.1070
<u>Standard Interconnection Agreement for Non-Export Parallel Operators 10MVA or Less</u>	8.1110

ISSUED BY: G.L. Gillette, President

DATE EFFECTIVE:



**AGREEMENT ADOPTING
STANDARD INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into by and between Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric") and _____

("Customer"), whose address is _____.

WHEREAS, Customer rents property from _____

(Name of Property Owner) ("Property Owner") located at the following address:

("The Premises"); and

WHEREAS, Property Owner and Tampa Electric are parties to a Standard Interconnection Agreement for [Select one] Tier 1 () Tier 2 () Tier 3 () Renewable Generator Systems ("SIA") relating to renewable generation located at the Premises; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the lease/rental agreement between Customer and Property Owner, Customer is entitled to the use and benefit of the renewable generation located at the Premises; and

WHEREAS, Tampa Electric and Customer recognize that, for the mutual protection and benefit of Customer, Tampa Electric, Property Owner and the general public, Customer must abide by all of the terms, conditions and obligations of Property Owner set forth in the SIA that relate to safety and govern

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Continued from Sheet No. 8.1031

the use, operation and maintenance of the renewable generation located at the Premises.

In recognition of the foregoing and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, Tampa Electric and Customer agree as follows:

1. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is the SIA entered into by and between Tampa Electric and Property Owner regarding the interconnection of the renewable generation located at the Premises.

2. Customer agrees to abide by and comply with all applicable provisions of the SIA attached as Exhibit "A" that relate to safety and that govern the use, operation and maintenance of the renewable generation located at the Premises.

3. This Agreement shall remain in effect for the duration of Customer's rental and control of the Premises.

DATED this _____ day of _____, _____.

TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY

_____ Customer

By: _____



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TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY

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