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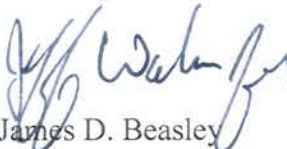
Dear Ms. Stauffer:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and seven (7) copies of Tampa Electric Company's Request for Confidential Classification and Motion for Temporary Protective Order regarding portions of its answers to Sierra Club's First Request for Production of Documents No. 1.

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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Enclosure

cc: All parties of record (w/enc.)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Analysis of IOU's)
hedging practices.)
_____)

DOCKET NO. 170057-EI

FILED: June 26, 2017

**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 the Document(s)

Tampa Electric's Answer to Sierra Club's First Request for Production of Documents (No. 1), a single copy of which is being simultaneously filed with the Commission on a confidential basis under a separate transmittal letter. 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 proprietary 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 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 propriety 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.

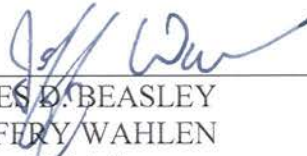
Requested Duration of Confidential Classification

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 26th day of June 2017.

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 electronic mail on this 26th day of June 2017 to the following:

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**JUSTIFICATION FOR CONFIDENTIAL
TREATMENT OF HIGHLIGHTED PORTIONS OF
TAMPA ELECTRIC'S RESPONSES TO SIERRA CLUB'S
FIRST REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS (FILED JUNE 26, 2017)**

<u>Bates Stamp</u> <u>Page No.</u>	<u>POD</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>Detailed Description</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
4	1	All Yellow Highlighted Information	(1)

- (1) The highlighted information contains specific details about fuel hedging volume, pricing, percentages and/or counterparties. This type of information about a commodity has been recognized by the Commission on numerous occasions to constitute proprietary confidential business information. Knowledge of this information would allow the opportunity for market manipulation through transactions made in anticipation of the company's entry into the market. Market manipulations based on knowledge of the highlighted information would increase the price of fuel paid by Tampa Electric's customers as well as the price paid by the company to hedge the customers' price of fuel. This is the specific type of information described in Section 366.093(3)(d) and (e) as being entitled to confidential protection and exemption from the Public Records Law.

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) in question are being separately served this date electronically X

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 therefor is set forth below:

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