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Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached for filing in the above docket, on behalf of Tampa Electric Company, is the Rebuttal Testimony of Mark R. Roche.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,


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11 **INTRODUCTION:**

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13 **Q.** Please state your name, address, occupation and employer.

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15 **A.** My name is Mark R. Roche. My business address is 702
16 North Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am
17 employed by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or
18 "the company") as Manager, Regulatory Rates in the
19 Regulatory Affairs Department.

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21 **Q.** Are you the same Mark R. Roche who filed direct testimony
22 in this proceeding?

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24 **A.** Yes, I am.

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1 Q. What is the purpose of your rebuttal testimony in this
2 proceeding?

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4 A. The purpose of my rebuttal testimony is to address the
5 deficiencies and misconceptions in the direct testimony
6 and exhibits of Jim Grevatt and Forest Bradley-Wright,
7 both of whom are testifying on behalf of the Southern
8 Alliance for Clean Energy ("SACE").

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10 Rebuttal testimony addressing the testimony of SACE
11 witnesses Grevatt and Bradley-Wright is also being
12 submitted by Mr. Jim Herndon (on behalf of Nexant, Inc.,
13 the consulting firm assisting the Florida Energy
14 Efficiency and Conservation Act ("FEECA") utilities in
15 this proceeding) and Mr. Terry Deason (on behalf of the
16 seven FEECA utilities). For the sake of brevity, I have
17 omitted from my rebuttal testimony some of the concerns
18 addressed by Mr. Deason and Mr. Herndon, and I support
19 and endorse their rebuttal testimony on any points they
20 make which are not repeated in my rebuttal testimony.

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22 Q. Do you have any general comments regarding the overall
23 direct testimony of Mr. Grevatt and Mr. Bradley-Wright?

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25 A. Yes. The testimony of both witnesses is highly critical

1 of the process utilized by the Commission and the FEECA
2 utilities in setting Demand Side Management ("DSM")
3 goals. However, that criticism principally relies on
4 conclusions drawn by the SACE witnesses from select
5 conclusory reports and other documentation primarily from
6 two other jurisdictions, none of which is specific to the
7 task at hand, which is setting DSM goals for the FEECA
8 utilities for the 2020-2029 time period. Despite these
9 witnesses' criticisms, Florida has been very successful
10 in achieving significant demand and energy savings over
11 time while keeping electric rates lower than the national
12 average. Even as Mr. Grevatt and Mr. Bradley-Wright
13 concede, the energy savings goals they are proposing lack
14 any rigorous analysis, as required by Rule 25-17.0021
15 Florida Administrative Code ("F.A.C."). Instead, they
16 simply urge the adoption of arbitrary percentage energy
17 only savings goals, with no proposed summer or winter
18 demand goals, that lack any legitimate basis or
19 foundation and are based only on other non-Florida
20 jurisdictions. Neither Mr. Grevatt's nor Mr. Bradley-
21 Wright's recommendations meet the requirements of FEECA.
22 Moreover, they both simply ignore the impact their
23 arbitrary energy goals would have on utility customers in
24 Florida. This renders their proposed goals not only
25 arbitrary, but irresponsible and indefensible.

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The general approach of Mr. Grevatt and Mr. Bradley-Wright is to ignore the nearly 40 years of successful delivery of conservation and energy efficiency programs by Tampa Electric and other FEECA utilities to their customers. Enacted in 1980 and amended since that time, FEECA required the affected utilities to offer efficiency programs to customers to help reduce those customers' demand and energy in order to meet the three main original focuses of FEECA: 1) reduce the growth rates for electricity demand at peak times, 2) reduce the consumption of electricity, and 3) conserve expensive resources. Tampa Electric was the first utility to receive Commission approval of its plans to meet the requirements of FEECA. The company has been a consistent contributor to the overall success of Florida's energy conservation efforts.

The Commission has consistently required aggressive goals and at the same time has strived to be mindful of the rate impact that conservation programs have on customers. With one exception, discussed later, the Commission has accomplished this through the use of a Rate Impact Measure ("RIM") test and a Participant Cost test ("PCT") to screen potential DSM measures to avoid undue high

1 utility rate impacts and cross-subsidization of program
2 participants by non-participants. As I will later
3 describe, SACE is recommending to the Commission that it
4 jettison its balanced and effective approach to DSM goals
5 setting and adopt in its place an arbitrarily selected
6 percentage reduction in energy consumption without any
7 regard whatsoever for the rate impact that "goal" would
8 have on consumers of electric power in Florida. Their
9 approach is wrong and should be rejected.

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11 Contrary to these intervenor witnesses' suggestions, this
12 Commission and the FEECA utilities have not gotten it all
13 wrong. To the contrary, the FEECA utilities
14 collectively, and Tampa Electric individually, have made
15 and continue to make significant achievements in the area
16 of DSM.

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18 **Q.** Does your rebuttal testimony address any overlap between
19 the direct testimony of Mr. Grevatt and Mr. Bradley-
20 Wright?

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22 **A.** Yes. Mr. Grevatt and Mr. Bradley-Wright share gross
23 misconceptions regarding the RIM test and the use of a
24 two-year payback screen for free-ridership. Both
25 witnesses ignore the rigorous process that is required to

1 be performed at least every five years to determine the
2 appropriate level of DSM goals in Florida.

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4 **REBUTTAL TO DIRECT TESTIMONY OF JIM GREVATT:**

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6 **Q.** On page 3, Mr. Grevatt states that his testimony is
7 focused most heavily on the goals proposed by Florida
8 Power and Light Company ("FPL") and that he infers that
9 the methodology to proceed from the technical potential
10 to the achievable potential is the same for each utility.
11 Do you agree that FPL's methodology to proceed from the
12 technical potential to the achievable is identical for
13 Tampa Electric?

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15 **A.** No, I do not. While I do agree that we utilized the same
16 vendor to develop the technical potential for our
17 individual company service areas and we follow the same
18 Florida Administrative Code provisions and Florida Public
19 Service Commission Rules, inferring further that factors
20 such as avoided generating costs and timing, transmission
21 and distribution costs, avoided fuel, program
22 administrative costs, incentives, load forecasts,
23 customer usage and patterns of that usage are the same is
24 a gross misconception.

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1 Q. On page 3 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that the
2 proposed savings goals for the utilities are unreasonably
3 low. Do you agree with this statement?
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5 A. No, I do not agree with this statement because Mr.
6 Grevatt provides no reliable gauge to compare it to,
7 other than anecdotal information he utilizes regarding
8 other states. In fact, Tampa Electric's accomplishments
9 are significantly greater than most other utilities in
10 the United States. Tampa Electric began its DSM efforts
11 in the late 1970s prior to the 1980 enactment of FEECA.
12 Since then, the company has aggressively sought
13 Commission approval of numerous DSM programs designed to
14 promote energy efficient technologies and to change
15 customer behavioral patterns such that energy savings
16 occur with minimal effect on customer comfort.
17 Additionally, the company has modified existing DSM
18 programs over time to promote evolving technologies and
19 to maintain program cost-effectiveness.

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21 From the inception of Tampa Electric's Commission
22 approved programs through the end of 2018, the company
23 has achieved the following savings:
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25 Summer Demand: 729.7 MW

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Winter Demand: 1,236.0 MW
Annual Energy: 1,560.5 GWh

These peak load achievements have eliminated the need for nearly seven 180 MW power plants.

Q. On page 4 and 7 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that the RIM test is not a cost-effectiveness test. Do you agree with this statement?

A. No, I do not. In Florida, the RIM test is one of the three prescribed cost-effectiveness tests used to justify DSM programs. In the United States, it is one of five typically performed cost-effectiveness tests used to analyze the cost-effectiveness of DSM programs.

Q. On page 7 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that the RIM test does not assess changes in costs. Do you agree with this statement?

A. No, I do not. Mr. Grevatt fails to understand that the benefits (avoided generation, transmission, distribution and incremental fuel costs) utilized in the RIM formula are all future costs that proposed DSM measures seek to avoid (i.e. defer or eliminate) and the costs in the

1 denominator are also costs that would be incurred in the
2 future. Thus, by Mr. Grevatt's own definition on page 7,
3 lines 13 and 14 of his testimony, the RIM test is a cost-
4 effectiveness test.

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6 **Q.** On page 4 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that
7 potential rate impacts should not be the only factor
8 considered. Do you agree that other factors should be
9 used?

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11 **A.** Yes I do, and that is why Tampa Electric's proposed DSM
12 goals are based upon the RIM test and the Participants
13 Cost test ("PCT"), in combination, which examines bill
14 savings, participation levels and rate impacts as Mr.
15 Grevatt outlines on lines 1 and 2 of page 5 of his
16 testimony.

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18 **Q.** On page 5 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that the
19 cost of the Total Resource Cost test ("TRC") portfolio,
20 as compared to the RIM portfolio for FPL, would be
21 \$0.00005/kWh (\$0.05/1,000 kWh). Does the same ratio
22 apply to Tampa Electric for a residential customer?

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24 **A.** No, this same ratio does not apply. The additional cost
25 to each of Tampa Electric's residential customers based

1 upon a monthly usage of 1,000 kWh would be approximately
2 \$1.00 more per month for the TRC portfolio as compared to
3 the RIM portfolio. While \$1.00 per customer each month
4 does not sound like much, for Tampa Electric, with over
5 750,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers,
6 this equates to an increase of approximately \$17 million
7 per year. The higher cost impact associated with TRC
8 based programs provided the basis for the Commission
9 reversion from the one-time use of TRC goals back to RIM-
10 and PCT-based DSM goals.

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12 **Q.** Also, on page 5 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that
13 the potential study is flawed based on the use of the
14 two-year simple payback screen to consider free-
15 ridership. Do you believe the potential study that Tampa
16 Electric follows is flawed because of this free-ridership
17 consideration?

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19 **A.** No, the process Tampa Electric followed is not flawed and
20 the company adhered to all statutory requirements.
21 Regarding the free-ridership consideration, the company
22 fully supports the two-year simple payback screen. The
23 objective of the free-ridership consideration is to
24 limit, as much as practical, paying incentives to
25 customers who would implement an energy efficiency

1 measure without an incentive. The two-year payback screen
2 has been consistently recognized by the Commission as the
3 most appropriate means of considering free-ridership.
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5 **Q.** On page 6 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt, states that his
6 concerns about "problems" with the utilities potential
7 studies are so numerous and complex that the studies by
8 the utilities cannot be readily modified to produce
9 appropriate goals. Do you agree the study that Tampa
10 Electric conducted is full of "problems"?

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12 **A.** No, I do not agree that the study or the process Tampa
13 Electric followed to develop its achievable potential and
14 proposed DSM goals is full of problems. I will agree
15 that the process is complex, and required many meetings,
16 countless hours of analysis and almost two years to
17 complete in order to develop the company's proposed DSM
18 goals. While Mr. Grevatt's inability to complete this
19 process in performing his analysis may be problematic,
20 the problem is with his work - not that of Tampa Electric
21 or the other FEECA utilities.
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23 **Q.** On page 8 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that
24 customers that use less energy are more accepting of
25 paying a higher rate for energy than those that use more

1 energy. Do you agree with this statement?

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3 **A.** No, I do not agree with this statement and can assure the
4 Commission that in the over 400 plus commercial/
5 industrial energy audits I have personally performed in
6 my career, Tampa Electric customers would not agree with
7 this statement either because the primary driver for
8 these customers asking for an audit is to identify ways
9 for them to lower their overall utility costs, in which
10 the rate is a key component.

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12 **Q.** On page 8 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that the
13 RIM test does not indicate how many customers would be
14 adversely affected. Is this an accurate statement?

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16 **A.** No, this statement is inaccurate. The RIM test will
17 indicate how many customers will benefit and how many
18 customers will be adversely impacted. The RIM test is
19 also known as the "No Losers test" and the "Fairness and
20 Equity test". There is a reason for these additional
21 names associated with this cost-effectiveness test. To
22 put it plainly, if a measure passes the RIM test and a
23 customer installs the measure and receives a rebate, all
24 rate payers benefit because that installation will place
25 downward pressure on rates for all of the company's

1 customers, regardless of their energy usage on a monthly
2 basis. If a measure fails the RIM test, then, following
3 the same scenario, all customers are adversely impacted
4 because the additional costs will place upward pressure
5 on rates for customers.

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7 **Q.** On page 9 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt discusses the
8 fact that low-income programs would not be included in
9 the achievable potential. Is this statement accurate?

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11 **A.** Yes, the analysis of DSM programs is not performed as
12 part of the goalsetting process. The purpose of the
13 potential study is to determine the amount of potential
14 cost-effective demand and energy reduction in Tampa
15 Electric's service area based upon the cost conditions
16 the company is experiencing at this time. This does not
17 limit Tampa Electric from including programs designed for
18 low-income customers, such as the company's two current
19 low-income programs (Energy Education, Awareness and
20 Agency Outreach and Neighborhood Weatherization).

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22 **Q.** On page 10 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that
23 because the RIM test is not used for supply side
24 evaluations, it is inappropriate to use RIM as a cost
25 effectiveness test for energy efficiency measures. Do you

1 agree with this statement?

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3 **A.** No, I do not agree with this statement. Mr. Grevatt's
4 comments demonstrate that he fails to understand three
5 main components. He fails to understand core utility
6 concepts such as the obligation to serve, reserve margin
7 requirements, and many other requirements for the company
8 to have the necessary infrastructure installed and
9 available to safely and reliably serve all customers
10 within its service area. It also demonstrates that Mr.
11 Grevatt fails to understand that cost recovery from
12 supply side investments made by Tampa Electric are either
13 approved by the Commission prior to the facility being
14 constructed or through the company's next rate case in
15 which the costs of these investments will be carefully
16 reviewed and scrutinized for prudence prior to approval
17 of recovery. He also fails to understand that the RIM
18 test was never designed or intended to be a cost-
19 effectiveness evaluation tool for screening generation
20 investments due to the components that make up the cost
21 side of the equation (the denominator). The costs that
22 make up the denominator make it unusable for a generation
23 investment evaluation since the costs would be either
24 zero or negative. There are no program costs, there are
25 no utility incentives paid and there would be negative

1 lost revenue (i.e. the company would be collecting
2 revenue from the kWh produced by the generation
3 resource).

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5 **Q.** On page 13 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that
6 utility bills will increase by hundreds of millions of
7 dollars by removing those measures that fail the RIM
8 test. Do you agree with this statement?

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10 **A.** No, I do not agree with that statement. On the contrary
11 and as stated in my direct testimony, by relying on the
12 RIM and PCT test, Tampa Electric and the other Florida
13 FEECA utilities have been able to achieve significant
14 demand and energy savings for almost 40 years while
15 keeping current rates 10.8 percent below the national
16 average and substantially lower than other states such as
17 Massachusetts with a residential retail price of 21.99
18 cents per kWh, New York at 17.34 cents per kWh and
19 California at 19.44 cents per kWh.

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21 **Q.** Also, on page 13 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states
22 that adopting the TRC portfolio would only increase costs
23 by less than 0.06 percent. Do you agree with this
24 analysis for Tampa Electric?

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1 **A.** No, I do not. As I discussed earlier the increase in the
2 Energy Conservation Cost Recovery ("ECCR") Clause for
3 Tampa Electric residential customers would be \$1.00 more
4 each month for each 1,000 kWh used. This equates to an
5 increase of 44.6 percent.

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7 **Q.** On page 14 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that
8 Florida is the only state that uses the RIM test as the
9 primary cost-effectiveness test to evaluate DSM programs.
10 He then gives examples regarding Virginia and Iowa. Do
11 you have an opinion regarding these examples?

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13 **A.** Yes, Florida is not the same as these states in terms of
14 climate, population, type and number of customers (fixed
15 income, low-income, for example) and many other aspects.
16 While I do not know the specific reasons these states
17 shift from one cost-effectiveness test to another,
18 migrating from the RIM test to any of the other cost
19 effectiveness tests (TRC, Societal Cost Test ("SCT") and
20 the Utility Cost Test ("UCT")) would require the
21 acceptance of some level of subsidization between
22 customers (i.e. the participant of the DSM programs wins
23 and those that do not participate lose). In his
24 explanation, Mr. Grevatt details subsidizing other non-
25 cost-effective DSM programs with cost-effective demand

1 response programs. I believe his statements
2 inappropriately disregard basic fairness for customers
3 who, for one reason or another, are not able to
4 participate in DSM programs. That unfairness is avoided
5 by use of the RIM and Participant cost-effectiveness
6 tests. Tampa Electric does support subsidization for
7 only low-income DSM programs because customers in those
8 programs may not have the financial means to invest in
9 energy efficient technology to receive a rebate in a
10 cost-effective rebate type program.

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12 **Q.** On page 15 and 16 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt says that
13 measures with two-year paybacks were inappropriately
14 excluded from the estimates of efficiency potential. Do
15 you agree with this statement?

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17 **A.** No. In fact, Tampa Electric's technical and economic
18 potentials do not have any consideration of free-riders.
19 The impact from the consideration of free-riders is only
20 reflected in Tampa Electric's achievable potential. The
21 premise of Mr. Grevatt's discussion is that Tampa
22 Electric purposely and inappropriately excluded energy
23 efficiency measures when consideration of free-ridership
24 is required by Florida law. I believe that if Florida
25 chose some other method to consider free-ridership, Mr.

1 Grevatt would also consider that method inappropriate
2 because he provides no suggestions for any alternative
3 methods other than asserting on page 21 of his testimony
4 that Florida is different from other jurisdictions.

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6 **Q.** On page 19 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that
7 naturally occurring efficiency was excluded from the
8 technical potential. Do you agree with this statement?

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10 **A.** No, I do not. The load forecast that was prepared and
11 provided to Nexant to calculate Tampa Electric's
12 technical potential included the effects of naturally
13 occurring energy efficiency. To ensure the accuracy of
14 how Tampa Electric and the other FEECA utilities
15 recognize demand and energy savings, we account for only
16 the incremental increase in energy efficiency or demand
17 savings from a Federal, state or appliance energy
18 efficiency standard or building codes (i.e. - the minimum
19 energy efficiency standard or base level that is on the
20 market that the customer would be purchasing). Adjusting
21 the base lines to recognize upcoming changes to building
22 and appliance standards is the appropriate method to
23 ensure that the eventual DSM programs Tampa Electric or
24 the other FEECA utilities offer are not paying customers
25 to install the base minimum in energy efficiency.

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Q. On page 22 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that the free-ridership screen should only be applied when designing DSM programs. Do you agree with this statement?

A. No, I do not. As I stated earlier, if the free-ridership consideration were removed, FEECA would be violated and the amount of DSM goals which is cost-effective to achieve would be inflated.

Q. On page 22 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that Tampa Electric's economic potential would increase by 139 percent if the two-year payback free-ridership screen were removed. Is this statement accurate?

A. No, it is completely inaccurate. Tampa Electric's economic potential was provided without any free-ridership consideration so it would be impossible to increase it with Mr. Grevatt's faulty analysis and incorrect assumptions. The chart he provided on page 23 states that Tampa Electric's economic potential can be increased or decreased by the free-ridership when in fact, it cannot because it was not examined at that point in the company's process to determine its economic potential.

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Q. On page 23 and 24 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that the two-year free-ridership screen should not be used because not all customers will purchase the technology even if the technology has a two-year payback. Do you agree with this assessment?

A. I do agree that not all customers will purchase and install all technologies that have a two-year payback, but I think Mr. Grevatt is missing the point. If a technology has a two-year or less payback, the technology is already financially and economically attractive for that customer and they should be willing to purchase that technology without any additional economic assistance through a DSM program incentive. The two-year free ridership screen is used to recognize this, not to address an unlimited number of possible reasons as to why a customer chooses not to purchase and install a technology.

Q. On page 25 through 27 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states that early retirement was not included in the assessment. What would happen if early retirement was included in the assessment?

1 **A.** Two main things would happen and they both would drive
2 the overall proposed DSM goals in the downward direction.
3 First, administrative and measurement and verification
4 costs (program costs) would go up, making programs less
5 cost-effective. On page 27 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt
6 mentions the state of Arkansas's Technical Reference
7 Manual, which calls for a "number of evaluations and
8 additional verifications." Someone would clearly have to
9 pay to have these evaluations and verifications performed
10 which would add significant and unnecessary costs to the
11 DSM program. Second, since the equipment is assumed to be
12 replaced early, this would cause the projected life of
13 the equipment to be reduced. Again, this would cause the
14 cost-effectiveness of the technology to be reduced
15 because the savings would be reduced due to the shorter
16 life. As Mr. Grevatt discusses, other states that have
17 this utilize a different cost-effectiveness test as their
18 primary measure since those other cost-effectiveness
19 tests can absorb these additional costs which provide
20 very little benefit to customers, even when these DSM
21 programs are funded by those customers.

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23 **Q.** On page 29 and 30 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states
24 that Tampa Electric should have included the efficiency
25 of a SEER 14 heat pump displacing electric resistance

1 heat. Did Tampa Electric make a mistake in its potential
2 analysis?

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4 **A.** No, Tampa Electric did not make a mistake in its
5 potential analysis. No value should be provided to a
6 Seasonally Averaged Energy Efficiency Ratio ("SEER") 14
7 heat pump. This is the base federal appliance energy
8 efficiency standard in the United States for residential
9 air conditioning equipment. In addition, in Tampa
10 Electric's climate zone during the winter it routinely
11 gets below 40 degrees. When it is below 40 degrees there
12 is not enough random heat in the ambient air for the heat
13 pump to collect, so the supplemental heat of the heat
14 pump (electric strip heat) will be energized. As a
15 result, SEER 14 heat pumps will produce no demand savings
16 that would support assigning zero savings to the base
17 standard heat pump.

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19 **Q.** On page 36 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt proposes an
20 alternative approach to establishing DSM goals by taking
21 a percentage of kWh sales, does Tampa Electric support
22 this approach?

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24 **A.** No, Tampa Electric does not support this alternative
25 approach. This same approach was proposed in the most

1 recent prior DSM goals proceeding. If this approach were
2 taken, utilizing the projected kWh sales for 2019 and
3 conservatively holding this sales forecast flat over the
4 DSM goalsetting ten-year period, the resulting ECCR
5 clause monthly rate would increase by a factor of 17.6.
6 I cannot fathom the Commission or Tampa Electric
7 explaining to a fixed income, low-income, or any of the
8 other remaining residential customers that their overall
9 electric bill is going up each month by over 40 percent
10 to support non-cost-effective DSM programs.

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12 **Q.** On page 37 and 38 of his testimony, Mr. Grevatt states
13 that the TRC was improperly executed. Do you agree with
14 this statement?

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16 **A.** No, I do not agree with this statement. Tampa Electric
17 conducted the TRC test in accordance with the prescribed
18 methodology in the FPSC Cost-Effectiveness Manual, as it
19 has done in all of the prior goal setting proceedings, as
20 confirmed in all annual audits, audit discovery and
21 annual discovery from Commission Staff.

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23 **REBUTTAL TO DIRECT TESTIMONY OF FOREST WRIGHT-BRADLEY:**

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25 **Q.** On page 2 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright discusses

1 a need for low-income energy efficiency that matches this
2 important customer segment. Do you agree with this
3 statement?

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5 **A.** Yes, I do agree with this statement, and this is why
6 Tampa Electric currently has two of the best low-income
7 DSM programs. These DSM programs will also be proposed
8 in the eventual DSM Plan that will support the goals
9 established by the Commission in this proceeding.

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11 **Q.** On page 3, Mr. Bradley-Wright states that there are flaws
12 with the applicability of the RIM test and that low-
13 income efficiency should be based upon the TRC test. Do
14 you agree with this statement?

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16 **A.** No, I do not agree with this statement. The purpose of
17 DSM goal setting is to determine the amount of cost-
18 effective DSM available when the goals are set. This
19 includes the analysis of individual measures that would
20 be, could be or may be used as a component of a low-
21 income program. I believe that Mr. Bradley-Wright is
22 confusing the development of potential DSM programs with
23 DSM goals setting.

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25 **Q.** On pages 3 through 6 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright

1 discusses concerns with high energy burdens and suggests
2 that those burdens can be reduced through energy
3 efficiency programs. Do you agree with this assessment?
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5 **A.** I partially agree with this assessment. I agree that
6 there are customers in Tampa Electric's service area that
7 are on fixed income and/or fall into the low-income
8 classifications as designated by census tract data.
9 Tampa Electric supports offering low-income programs to
10 customers and for the same reasons supports the continued
11 use of the RIM test to ensure that all customers
12 experience the benefits of cost-effective DSM programs
13 that place pressure to reduce overall electric rates.
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15 **Q.** On page 9 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright states
16 that Tampa Electric's only programs that are offered that
17 do not pass cost-effectiveness are the programs that are
18 targeted toward eligible low-income customers, is this
19 statement accurate?
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21 **A.** No, in addition to the low-income programs Tampa Electric
22 offers, the residential and commercial energy audit
23 programs are also not cost-effective.
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25 **Q.** On page 10 and 11 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright

1 states that Tampa Electric is intending to continue its
2 energy education and weatherization programs in the next
3 DSM Plan, is this statement accurate?

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5 **A.** Yes, it is.

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7 **Q.** On page 12 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright states
8 that additional formal goals should be established for
9 low-income energy efficiency, do you agree with this
10 proposal?

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12 **A.** No, I do not agree with this proposal. To set additional
13 DSM goal amounts above the amount proposed by Tampa
14 Electric in this DSM goals proceeding would place upward
15 pressure on rates by proposing a block of demand and
16 energy that is purposely not cost-effective.

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18 **Q.** On page 13 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright supports
19 Mr. Grevatt's assessment of the RIM test. Do these
20 reasons support deviating away from the RIM test?

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22 **A.** No. As I explained above in response to Mr. Grevatt's
23 misconceptions and misunderstanding of the RIM test,
24 neither Mr. Grevatt's assessment nor Mr. Bradley-Wright's
25 endorsement of it support deviating away from the RIM

1 test.

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3 **Q.** On page 14 and 15 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright
4 states that the TRC test is the natural choice for
5 evaluating low-income DSM programs. Do you agree with
6 this assessment?

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8 **A.** No, I do not agree with this assessment. Just because
9 another cost-effectiveness test provides an output that
10 may appear more attractive for a particular measure, or
11 in this scenario which would be applied to the eventual
12 DSM programs, does not mean it should be used.

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14 **Q.** On page 15 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright states
15 that the PCT would be an inappropriate cost-effectiveness
16 test for low-income programs, do you agree with his
17 assessment?

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19 **A.** Yes, his assessment of the PCT and its inappropriateness
20 in regard to this topic is correct.

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22 **Q.** On page 16 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright asserts
23 that the use of the RIM test and two-year free-ridership
24 screen results in double counting, do you agree with this
25 statement?

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A. No, I do not agree with this assessment. The use of the RIM test and free-ridership consideration in this proceeding does not double count energy efficiency measures, including those that would be, could be or may be used as part of an eventual low-income DSM program.

Q. Also, on page 16 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright suggests that for the technical potential to be accurate, the load forecast used to establish goals should be elevated to ignore any naturally occurring DSM activities by customers. Is this methodology sound?

A. No. This methodology contradicts the methodology Tampa Electric has consistently used for load forecasting and conflicts with the methodology that has been applied in every prior DSM goal setting proceeding for Tampa Electric. In fact, as part of the order establishing procedure, Tampa Electric provided the impact over the DSM goals period of naturally occurring DSM and Building Codes and Appliance Standards. Tampa Electric does not get to count these DSM savings toward the eventual Commission approved goals the company is assigned, so it would be inappropriate to ignore them in the company's load forecast or the technical potential study completed

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3 **Q.** On page 23 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright proposed
4 a different evaluation method to assess low-income DSM
5 measures. Do you support this proposal?

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7 **A.** No, I do not support this proposed alternative. Removing
8 the free-ridership screen would ignore Florida law. The
9 proposed method of just arbitrarily selecting some
10 percentage of economic potential for the achievable
11 potential would remove the rigor and professional work to
12 determine the amount of cost-effective DSM available to
13 Tampa Electric and would place upward pressure on rates
14 due to the promotion of non-cost-effective measures.
15 This would also unduly place a much higher monthly ECCR
16 cost on those customers Mr. Bradley-Wright seems
17 interested in helping.

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19 **Q.** On page 24 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright proposes
20 different levels of achievable potential for Tampa
21 Electric. Do you support these proposed levels?

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23 **A.** No, I do not support the different levels of DSM goals
24 for the many reasons I have outlined in this rebuttal
25 testimony. I also do not support selecting a DSM goal

1 level that lacks any analysis to examine the cost-
2 effectiveness of those measures against the current costs
3 Tampa Electric projects for its next avoided unit. This
4 is the main purpose of establishing DSM goals, to either
5 defer or eliminate the need for the next avoided
6 generating unit. Mr. Bradley-Wright's proposal ignores
7 any evaluation methodology and merely selects a
8 percentage that promotes the use of non-cost-effective
9 measures because it results in higher goals.

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11 **Q.** On page 27 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-right discusses
12 several ideas to promote deeper savings for low-income
13 eligible customers. Do you support these ideas?

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15 **A.** I fully support offering DSM programs that are focused on
16 low-income customers and, as previously explained, Tampa
17 Electric will propose low-income DSM programs in the
18 eventual DSM Plan that will support the Commission
19 approved goals in this proceeding. I do not agree with
20 the ideas that Mr. Bradley-Wright suggests that Tampa
21 Electric should supply free heating, ventilating and air
22 conditioning ("HVAC"), water heaters and appliance
23 upgrades. I do support offering building envelope
24 improvements, adding insulation, sealing ductwork and the
25 continued offering of energy efficiency kits to eligible

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customers. The main reason for offering these assortments of measures is to assist customers in reducing their energy usage and subsequently also benefit Tampa Electric by assisting in the reduction of weather sensitive peak demand.

Q. On page 29 of his testimony, Mr. Bradley-Wright suggests that Tampa Electric does not afford opportunities for residential customers across all categories of housing. Is this suggestion accurate?

A. No. Tampa Electric currently offers many programs that all residential owners and renters in all segments (single family, multi-family and manufactured homes) can take advantage of.

Q. Does this conclude your rebuttal testimony?

A. Yes.