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STAFF'S FIRST DATA REQUEST
VIA EMAIL

RE: Docket No. 20220122-EI – Petition for limited proceeding rate increase to implement return on equity provisions in 2021 agreement, by Tampa Electric Company.

Dear Mr. Wahlen and Mr. Means:

By this letter, the Commission staff requests that Tampa Electric Company (TECO) provide responses to the following data requests with respect to the above-captioned docket:

1. Please provide TECO's Petition Exhibit 3 in electronic format, with cells unlocked and formulas intact.
2. In its petition, TECO states that the inclusion of a weather normalization adjustment of \$37.6 million to base revenues, along with the \$10 million increase due to the ROE trigger, in an update to its April 2022 ESR results in an earned return on equity of 9.43 percent, based on a 13-month average rate base. Please identify the weather normalization adjustment that would result in the Company earning at the adjusted ROE mid-point of 10.20 percent and provide support calculations.
3. Please provide TECO's Petition Exhibit 2, Pages 3 and 4 of 4 in electronic format, with cells unlocked and formulas intact.
4. Refer to TECO's Petition for a limited proceeding rate increase (Petition) in Docket No. 20220122-EI for the following requests.
 - a. Please provide, in electronic format (Excel, with cells unlocked and formulas intact), TECO's weather data and normalization calculations used to derive the monthly normal weather as shown in Exhibit 2, page 3 of 4 for both Cooling Degree Days (CDD) and Heating Degree Days (HDD).

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- b. Please provide, in electronic format (Excel, with cells unlocked and formulas intact), TECO’s weather data and normalization calculations used to derive the monthly actual weather as shown in Exhibit 2, page 3 of 4 for both CDD and HDD.
 - c. Please provide, in electronic format (Excel, with cells unlocked and formulas intact) all models, model equations, summary statistics, and model assumptions used to produce the HDD coefficients and the CDD coefficients shown in Exhibit 2, page 3 of 4, for each rate class.
5. Please refer to TECO’s Petition, Exhibit 2, Page 3 and 4 of 4, for the following questions.
 - a. Is it correct that the monthly CDD - Normal weather data and the monthly HDD - Normal weather data appearing on Page 3 is based on an average twenty years of historical data? If not, please explain.
 - b. Are TECO’s proposed sales and revenue adjustments appearing on Page 4 implemented for the purpose of removing the impact of atypical weather from actual sales? If not, please explain.
 - c. Does TECO assume that a 20-year average of CDD and HDD is the optimal representation of normal weather for the annual period ending April 2022 for the purpose of removing the impact of atypical sales for the purposes of the Petition? Please explain in detail and offer any documentary support for the Company’s position (e.g. whitepapers, studies, etc.).
6. Please provide any relevant documentation in the Company’s possession supporting the Company’s selection of weather stations and the Company’s data source in its weather normalization process as applied in TECO’s petition.
7. Referring to Request 4 above, please identify all public sources of the weather data used to determine normal weather and actual weather shown on Exhibit 2, Page 3 of 4 known to TECO.
8. Please refer to TECO’s Petition, Exhibit 2, page 3 of 4 and TECO’s April 2022 Earnings Surveillance Report for the following requests.
 - a. Please indicate whether the calculations of CDD and HDD coefficients by rate class appearing in TECO’s Petition and April 2022 Earnings Surveillance Report, have been prepared specifically for the purposes of the Company’s petition in this docket.
 - b. If the answer to Request 6.a. above is affirmative, please provide the last calculations of CDD and HDD coefficients by rate class prepared by the Company to support rate filing(s) before the Commission, specifying the time period used in preparing the calculations, the rate filing docket number, and, if available, the document number containing the data and/or calculations.

- c. If the answer to Request 6.a. above is negative, please specify other docket(s) such data has been used, how such data has been used, and any document number(s) referencing or containing the data and/or calculations.
9. Please provide the last prior calculations of weather normalized monthly CDDs and HDDs prepared by the Company to support rate filing(s) before the Commission, specifying the rate filing docket number and, as available, the document number containing the data and/or calculations.
10. Please identify all changes, if any, in TECO’s method and/or data sources for calculating weather normals or HDD/CDD coefficients as appears in Exhibit 2, Page 3 of 4 of its Petition in this case compared to its method and/or data sources of calculating weather normals or HDD/CDD coefficients in other Commission filings within the past 5 years.
11. Please discuss all planned customer communications (i.e., information on TECO’s website, emails, bill inserts, bill messages) to notify customers of the proposed rate increase. In your response, please include the timing of any customer notifications.
12. With the requested September 1, 2022, effective date, please explain whether TECO intends to notify its customers of the proposed rate increase with the August 2022 billing cycle. If yes, please provide a copy of the customer notification scheduled to be included with the August billing cycle. If not, please explain why not.
13. Referring to Schedule E-13a, please provide the calculations (with the excel cells unlocked and formulas intact) that support the proposed increases to the different rate classes.

Please file all responses electronically no later than the close of business on Friday, July 8, 2022, via the Commission’s website at www.floridapsc.com, by selecting the Clerk’s Office tab and Electronic Filing Web Form. Please feel free to call me at (850) 413-6228 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jennifer Crawford
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cc: Office of Commission Clerk