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Mr. Adam J. Teitzman
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Florida Public Service Commission
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Re: Petition for recovery of incremental storm restoration costs associated with tropical systems named by the National Hurricane Center (“NHC”) during the 2018 through 2022 hurricane seasons by Tampa Electric Company
Dkt. 20230019-EI

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Attached for filing on behalf of Tampa Electric Company in the above-referenced docket is the Rebuttal Testimony of Jordan M. Williams.

Thank you for your assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Malcolm N. Means'.

Malcolm N. Means

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Attachments
cc: All parties of record

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Tampa Electric Company's Rebuttal Testimony, has been furnished by electronic mail on this 28th day of March, 2024 to the following:

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**BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

DOCKET NO. 20230019-EI

**IN RE: PETITION OF TAMPA ELECTRIC
COMPANY FOR RECOVERY OF COSTS
ASSOCIATED WITH NAMED TROPICAL SYSTEMS
DURING THE 2018 - 2022 HURRICANE SEASONS AND
REPLENISHMENT OF STORM RESERVE**

**REBUTTAL TESTIMONY
OF
JORDAN M. WILLIAMS**

1 **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

2 **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY**

3 **OF**

4 **JORDAN M. WILLIAMS**

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

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8 **A.** My name is Jordan M. Williams. My business address is
9 702 North Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602. I am
10 employed by Tampa Electric Company ("Tampa Electric" or
11 "the company") in the Regulatory Affairs Department as
12 Director, Pricing & Financial Analysis.

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14 **Q.** Please describe your duties and responsibilities in that
15 position.

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17 **A.** My present responsibilities include regulatory oversight
18 of Tampa Electric's Cost-of-Service Study, retail base
19 rate design, tariff administration, Federal Open Access
20 Tariff formula rate updates, state and federal policy and
21 compliance; regulatory filings and representation at the
22 Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC" or
23 "Commission") and the Federal Energy Regulatory
24 Commission regarding rates; service programs; and
25 compliance-related matters.

1 **Q.** Please provide a brief outline of your educational
2 background and business experience.

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4 **A.** I received a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and a Bachelor
5 of Science in Business Administration from Florida
6 Southern College in 2011. I received a Master of Arts in
7 Economics from the University of South Florida in 2014.

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9 I joined Tampa Electric in 2011 as an Energy Accounting
10 and Billing Analyst. In 2014, I joined Tampa Electric's
11 Regulatory Affairs Department as a Forecast Analyst. In
12 2020, I transitioned to another Emera Inc. affiliate named
13 Peoples Gas System Inc., formerly Peoples Gas System, as
14 Manager, Regulatory Rates. In 2022, I rejoined Tampa
15 Electric's Regulatory Affairs Department as Senior
16 Manager, Pricing & Financial Analysis. In 2023, I was
17 promoted to my current role as Director, Pricing and
18 Financial Analysis.

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20 **Q.** What is the purpose of your rebuttal testimony?

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22 **A.** The purpose of my rebuttal testimony is to respond to Ms.
23 Lisa Perry's testimony, provided on behalf of Walmart Inc.
24 on February 16, 2024.

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1 **Q.** Beginning on page 3 of her testimony, Ms. Perry states
2 that "Walmart recommends that any cost recovery approved
3 in this Docket should be recovered from demand-metered
4 customers through the demand charge, i.e., on a \$/kW
5 basis, and not through the energy charge, or on a \$/kWh
6 basis, as proposed by the Company." Do you agree with
7 this recommendation?

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9 **A.** No. This Commission should not adopt this recommendation
10 for two main reasons.

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12 First, implementing a dollar per kilowatt ("\$/kW") charge
13 for some customers at this stage of the proceeding would
14 be impractical. The FPSC has already entered two orders
15 in this case, Order Nos. PSC-2023-0116-PCO-EI and PSC-
16 2023-0351-PCO-EI, approving interim cost recovery in this
17 Docket on a dollar per kilowatt-hour ("\$/kWh") basis.
18 Tampa Electric began recovering storm restoration costs
19 from its customers beginning with the first cycle of April
20 2023 on a \$/kWh basis. Tampa Electric has over 17,000
21 demand-metered customers; switching the cost recovery for
22 these customers to a \$/kW basis would result in more than
23 200,000 bills being reversed and rebilled which would
24 heavily constrain Tampa Electric's resources and could
25 ultimately result in confused and unhappy customers.

1 Second, the FPSC has a long-standing history of approving
2 the recovery of a utility's storm restoration costs via
3 the energy charge, on a \$/kWh basis. This practice goes
4 back at least 17 years. Some examples of this are in Order
5 Nos.:

6 (1) PSC-2023-0116-PCO-EI

7 (2) PSC-2023-0375-PCO-EI

8 (3) PSC-2023-0110-PCO-EI

9 (4) PSC-06-1062-TRF-EI

10 (5) PSC-06-0772-PAA-EI

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12 Switching to a \$/kw charge for some customers would
13 represent a significant departure from established
14 Commission practice.

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16 **Q.** If Tampa Electric is already recovering storm restoration
17 costs from customers, why is this docket still open?

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19 **A.** In Order No. PSC-2023-0351-PCO-EI, the Commission ordered
20 that Docket No. 20230019-EI should remain open to complete
21 a final reconciliation between Tampa Electric's actual
22 recoverable storm restoration costs and the amount
23 collected through the interim storm restoration recovery
24 charge, and to determine whether a refund or additional
25 charge is warranted. This docket does not remain open to

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debate cost recovery methodology.

Q. Does this conclude your rebuttal testimony?

A. Yes, it does.