FINAL DETERMINATION

PERMITTEE

Tampa Electric Company (TEC)
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PERMITTING AUTHORITY

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department)
Division of Air Resource Management
Office of Permitting and Compliance, Power Plants Group
2600 Blair Stone Road, MS #5505
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400

PROJECT

Air Permit No. 0570039-059-AC
Gypsum Storage and Handling & Transloading Solid Fuels and Slag
Big Bend Station

This project authorizes modifications of the existing gypsum storage and handling facilities (South-40), installation of new gypsum storage and handling facilities (new East-40 gypsum storage area and new redundant stack out conveyor and storage pile at the North stack out area), and the ability to transload the onsite produced gypsum by barge, rail and truck as needed to meet gypsum disposal or resale requirements. This permit also increases the allowable annual throughput for transloading coal, petroleum coke and slag from Emissions Unit No. 046 (EU 046) above the annual limit which was set in Air Construction Permit No. 0570039-025-AC and previous Power Plant Siting Conditions of Certification.

NOTICE AND PUBLICATION

The Department distributed a draft air construction permit package on January 9, 2013. Comments and requested additions were received from the applicant and the draft construction permit package was re-issued on February 1, 2013. The applicant published the Public Notice in the South Shore News and Tribune on February 20, 2013. The Department received the proof of publication on March 15, 2013. No requests for administrative hearings or requests for extensions of time to file a petition for administrative hearing were received.

COMMENTS

No comments on the draft permit were received from the public, the Hillsborough County Environmental Protection Commission, the EPA Region 4 Office or the applicant.

CONCLUSION

The final action of the Department is to issue the permit.