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Mr. Russell Wider
Bureau of Air Regulation
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Air Resource Management
111 South Magnolia Drive, Suite 4
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Via Fed Ex
Airbill No. 7926 7621 2423

Re: Tampa Electric Company (TEC) Big Bend Station
Unit 4 SCR System; DEP File No. 0570039-031-AC
Request for Permit Re-Issuance

Logged as: 0570039-036-AC
Dear Mr. Wider:

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("the Department") issued an air construction permit to Tampa Electric Company (TEC) authorizing the installation of a selective catalytic reduction (SCR) nitrogen oxides (NO_x) emission control system at Big Bend Station Unit 4; reference Air Construction Permit 0570039-020-AC dated May 6, 2005 with an expiration date of December 31, 2007. The Department subsequently modified this air construction permit authorizing ductwork revisions for Units 3 and 4 (duct split project), as well as extending the permit expiration date to March 31, 2008; reference Air Construction Permit 0570039-031-AC dated November 19, 2007.

Big Bend Station is currently authorized by Title V Air Operation Permit No. 0570039-017-AV effective January 1, 2005 with an expiration date of December 31, 2009 and a renewal application due date of December 31, 2008. The Unit 4 duct split project was completed on December 9, 2007.

In accordance with discussions between yourself and Tom Davis of Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc. (ECT) on our behalf, TEC plans to submit one Title V permit renewal application that includes the Unit 4 SCR and duct split project to avoid multiple Title V permit revisions. TEC proposes to submit the Big Bend Title V permit renewal application incorporating all of the applicable projects by June 6, 2008; i.e., within 180 days following completion of the duct split project and approximately six months prior to the current Big Bend Station Title V permit renewal application due date. TEC would therefore appreciate re-issuance of Air Construction Permit 0570039-031-AC with an expiration date of December 31, 2008 to accommodate this Title V permit renewal application schedule.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me at (813) 228-1282.

Sincerely,

Byron T. Burrows, P.E. BCEE
Manager - Air Programs
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