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Ms. Lea Crandall  
Agency Clerk – Office of the General Counsel  
Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS #35  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000

Via FedEx  
Airbill No. 7989-5073-7340

Re: **Tampa Electric Company – Big Bend Power Station  
Draft Air Construction Permit No. 0570039-058-AC  
AB070 - Unit 3 and ESP Enhancements  
Intent to Issue Air Construction Permit**

Dear Ms. Crandall:

By the email correspondence received by Tampa Electric Company (TEC) on July 2, 2012, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) announced its intent to issue an air construction permit for the Unit 3 Boiler and ESP Enhancements at the Big Bend Power Station. TEC has reviewed the intent to issue the construction permit and determined the 5-year monitoring requirement in Section 2, Condition 10 is not applicable pursuant to the Consent Final Judgment, dated December 16, 1999.

On July 9, 2012, TEC prepared a request to the Office of General Counsel (OGC) to extend the petition for a formal administrative hearing to the close of business to amicably resolve the monitoring requirement. OGC granted an extension to the close of business on August 15, 2012.

Since our request, TEC has been working the OGC and DEP staff to resolve the monitoring requirement. However, TEC has not received a determination from the DEP. To accommodate further discussions with DEP, we request that the time for TEC to petition for a formal administrative hearing be extended to the close of business on September 26, 2012.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (813) 228-1282 or Robert Velasco at (813) 228-4232, if you have any questions or comments regarding this permit application.

Sincerely,

Byron T. Burrows, P.E., BCEE  
Manager - Air Programs  
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EHS/iym/RAVI63 Unit 3 Boiler and ESP Improvements

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