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September 2, 2003

Mr. Sterlin Woodard  
Environmental Protection Commission  
of Hillsborough County  
1410 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Tampa, Florida 33605

Via FedEx  
Airbill No. 7923 1944 7407

**Re: Tampa Electric Company  
Big Bend Station  
Permit No. 0570039-010-AV  
E.U. ID 011 - Truck/Railcar Limestone Unloading  
Receiving Hopper with Baghouse**

Dear Mr. Woodard:

This is a follow up letter to notify you that the repairs to the compressor were made and the equipment was placed back into service on August 7, 2003. While the baghouse was off-line to repair the compressor, TEC performed daily visible emission (VE) test and the records are at the facility site. The VE tests were performed to ensure that the 5% opacity requirement was met. Enclosed are copies of the VE tests performed while the baghouse was out of service.

Initially, a notification that was provided on July 8, 2003 regarding an equipment outage for the Truck/Railcar Limestone Unloading Receiving Hopper with Baghouse, emission unit identification 011 (E.U. ID 011). The equipment outage was expected to occur from July 7, 2003 through August 31, 2003. However, the baghouse was not taken off-line for maintenance. Instead, the compressor to the baghouse failed on July 16, 2003, making the baghouse inoperable. TEC immediately performed a visible emissions (VE) test on the same day.

Given the moisture content of the limestone and other mitigating factors, TEC will be requesting to remove the baghouse from this emission unit from the Big Bend Station Title V Air Operating Permit during a clean up of the Title V Operating Permit this fall.

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If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Shelly Castro or me at (813) 641-5033.

Sincerely,



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