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September 21, 2001

Ms. Cindy L. Phillips, P.E.  
Bureau of Air Regulation  
Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
111 South Magnolia Avenue, Suite 4  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

**Via FedEx**  
**Airbill No. 7916 6209 5351**

**Re: Tampa Electric Company (TEC)  
Big Bend Station Reporting Requirements**

Dear Ms. Phillips:

Due to several Big Bend Station operational changes and their associated operating permit modifications, Tampa Electric Company (TEC) will be required to provide the Department with data demonstrating that none of the operational changes will result in a significant increase in emissions. These changes have occurred periodically throughout the year, and because each associated report must begin one year after the change takes place, TEC could be required to submit several different reports over the course of one year. To alleviate this, TEC requests permission to submit one report for each calendar year due on January 31 of the following calendar year comparing current emissions to the baseline of each respective change. This will streamline the reporting process and reduce the amount of data that the Department will have to review each year.

TEC appreciates the opportunity to provide this input and if you have any further questions or need additional clarification, please do not hesitate to call Shannon Todd or me at (813) 641-5125.

Sincerely,

Laura R. Crouch  
Manager - Air Programs  
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