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Mr. Clair Fancy Florida Department of Environmental Protection 2600 Blair Stone Road Twin Towers Office Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400

Via FedEx Airbill No. 7917 0266 0913

Mr. Jerry Campbell, Director Air Management Division 1410 N. 21st Street Tampa, FL 33605

Via FedEx Airbill No. 7902 1400 9474

Re:

Tampa Electric Company (TEC)

Big Bend Station

Combustion of Polk Power Station Residual Fuel

FDEP File No. 0570039-012-AC

Dear Messrs. Fancy and Campbell:

Tampa Electric Company is required by specific condition III.10 of the above referenced permit to provide design details of the storage facility and conveyor transfer system that will be used to handle the Polk Power Station residual fuel that will be fired at Big Bend Station. Enclosed is a preliminary drawing depicting the building and conveyor system as well as a description of the process that will be used to transfer the material from the truck to the station. As additional details become available, they will be forwarded to you.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Shannon Todd or me at (813) 641-5125.

Sincerely,

Laura R. Crouch

Manager - Air Programs **Environmental Affairs**

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Enclosure

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TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY

Big Bend Station - Residual Fuel Project

Building Design

The 70' by 70' building will include an apron on the front of the building large enough to allow a 25-ton dump truck to raise its load and dump into the building under cover. The apron will slope back to the building and a trench will catch rainwater and any dust control run-off water from the material inside the building. The floor of the building will slope towards the front and a sump will redistribute the water onto the pile inside the building. The roof of the building will overhang the sides enough to prevent any rain from getting inside. In the rear of the building there will be a hopper, or dozer trap. Operation of the dozer trap will be discussed in the next paragraph.

Process Description

A nominal 25-ton dump truck will empty a load of material into the building, and a bulldozer will either push the material into a vacant area of the building, or it will push the material directly into the dozer trap. The dozer trap is a hopper that is partially below grade, and it will be used to feed the conveyor, which is capable of transferring up to 200 tons of material per hour. The conveyor will be fully enclosed to prevent fugitive dust emissions, and to also prevent wetting of the material. Material inside the building will be periodically sprayed with water in an effort to minimize dust within the building.

