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January 23, 2013

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
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Via FedEx & E-mail  
Airbill No. 7945-8050-6120  
[Lea.Crandall@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:Lea.Crandall@dep.state.fl.us)

Re: **Tampa Electric Company – Big Bend Station  
Revisions to Draft Permit No. 0570039-059-AC  
Gypsum Handling Project and Transloading of Solid Fuels and Slag  
Intent to Issue Air Construction Permit**

Dear Ms. Crandall:

By the email correspondence received by Tampa Electric Company (TEC) on January 9, 2013, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) announced its intent to issue an air construction permit for the Big Bend Station in Apollo Beach, Florida. TEC has reviewed the intent to issue the construction permit along with the proposed conditions and are currently working with FDEP to revise the draft permit to correct administrative errors and authorize transloading of solid fuels by barge and rail.

To accommodate further discussions with staff of the FDEP, we request that the time for Tampa Electric Company to petition for a formal administrative hearing be extended to the close of business on February 23, 2013. TEC believes that this time will be sufficient for Department to re-issue a revised draft permit without the necessity of pursuing a formal administrative hearing.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Byron T. Burrows".

Byron T. Burrows, P.E., BCEE  
Manager - Air Programs  
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EHS/ym/RAV186 Gypsum Handling Fuel Transloading Admin  
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