

November 17, 2000

Mr. Scott M. Sheplak, P.E.
Administrator, Title V Section
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
111 South Magnolia Drive, Suite 4
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Via FedEx Airbill No. 7904 0207 2581

Re:

Tampa Electric Company (TEC) - Polk Power Station

Request for Alternative Sampling Procedure DEP File No. 1050233-05-AC (PSD-FL-263A)

DEP File No. 1050233-06AV

Dear Mr. Sheplak:

Tampa Electric Company has received your letter dated August 23, 2000 regarding the request for an alternative sampling procedure for fuel bound nitrogen. After reviewing the document attached to that letter identifying alternative sampling methods that EPA has routinely approved, TEC is considering several of those options. This evaluation requires an extensive review of both the advantages and disadvantages of each alternative. TEC has not yet completed this review and to that end, the Company requests a 60-day extension of the 90-day response period required by 62-4.055(1) to ensure that the review is completed in a thorough manner.

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

Sincerely,

Mark J. Hornick

General Manager/Responsible Official

Polk Power Station

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c: Mr. Al Linero - FDEP

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CERTIFICATION OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL

Based on information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, I certify that all statements made in these reports are true, accurate and complete.

(Signature of Responsible Official)

11/17/00 (Date)

Name: Mark J. Hornick

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Title: General Manager, Polk Power Station

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