



TAMPA ELECTRIC

March 4, 2003

Mr. Lynn Haynes
 Region IV
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
 Atlanta Federal Center
 61 Forsyth Street
 Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3104

Via FedEx
Airbill No. 7902 2109 6990

Ms. Trina Vielhauer
 Bureau Chief
 Florida Department of Environmental Protection
 111 South Magnolia Drive, Suite 4
 Tallahassee, FL 32301

Via FedEx
Airbill No. 7913 1274 5011

Re: Tampa Electric Company
Bayside Power Station Unit 1
Anticipated Commercial Operations Notification
Air Permit No. PSD-FL-301A
Project No. 0570040-15-AC, ORIS code #7873

Dear Mr. Hayes and Ms. Vielhauer:

Tampa Electric Company (TEC) is re-notifying the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) of the anticipated date of initial commercial operations. TEC hereby gives notice of commercial operation, for environmental purposes, of Bayside Power Station Unit 1 will be on or about March 6, 2003. Bayside Power Station Unit 1 (BPS) consists of three General Electric PG7241FA, 169 megawatt Gas Turbines (GT) at the BPS facility. Each of these three GT's, Bayside 1A, 1B, and 1C, has a 150 foot stack and is connected to its own Heat Recovery Steam Generator. Since it is still uncertain in which order the GTs will begin commercial operations, TEC is giving notification that the GTs may commence commercial operations in the following order and on or about the following dates:

BPS 1A - March 16, 2003
 BPS 1B - March 11, 2003
 BPS 1C - March 06, 2003

Mr. Lynn Haynes
Ms. Trina Vielhauer
March 4, 2003
Page 2 of 2

As the schedule changes TEC will keep EPA and FDEP updated. TEC appreciates your cooperation in this matter and if you have any questions, please call me at (813) 641-5034.

Sincerely,



Dru Latchman
Associate Engineer- Air Programs
Environmental Affairs

EA/bmr/DNL154

c: Mr. A. Linero – FDEP
Mr. J. Kissel – FDEP SW
Mr. S. Woodard- EPCHC
Mr. S. Sheplak- FDEP