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STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY
(POLK POWER STATION),

Petitioner,

vs.

OGC CASE NO. 98-0286

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,

Respondent.

**ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME TO FILE PETITION FOR HEARING**

This cause has come before the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) on receipt of a request made by Petitioner, Tampa Electric Company (Polk Power Station), to grant an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing on Application No. 1050233-001-AV. See Exhibit 1.


Respondent, State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection, has no objection to it. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED:

The request for an extension of time to file a petition for administrative proceeding is granted. Petitioner shall have until March 31, 1998, to file a petition in this matter. Filing shall be complete on receipt by the Office of General Counsel, Mail Station 35, Department of Environmental Protection, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 10th day of March, 1998, in Tallahassee, Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION


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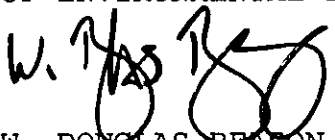
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing was mailed to:

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on this 16th day of March, 1998.

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT
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STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY,

Petitioner,

v.

OGC Case No. _____
Draft Title V Permit
No. 1050233-001-AV
Polk Power Station

STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,

Respondent.

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO PETITION FOR HEARING**

Tampa Electric Company ("TEC"), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby requests that an order be entered extending the time to petition for an administrative hearing on draft Title V Permit No. 1030233-001-AV to March 31, 1998, and as grounds therefor states:

1. TEC representatives received from the Department of Environmental Protection ("Department") draft Title V Permit No. 1030233-001-AV on February 4, 1998. The draft permit is for the Polk Power generating station located in Polk County, Florida. The certificate of service for the draft Title V permit is dated January 29, 1998.

2. The draft Title V Operation Permit appended to the Intent to Issue contains several items raising issues that require a resolution prior to TEC accepting the permit.

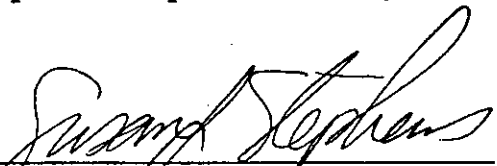
3. TEC representatives have discussed the matter with appropriate Department staff in order to amicably resolve the issues of concern, and discussions are continuing.

4. TEC representatives have attempted to contact Department staff to discuss an extension of time until the end of March 1998, but was unable to do so prior to filing this request for extension of time.

5. Counsel for TEC has attempted to contact Douglas Beason of the Department's Office of General Counsel, but was unable to reach him prior to filing this request for extension of time.

WHEREFORE, Tampa Electric Company respectfully requests that an order be entered extending the time to petition for an administrative hearing on draft Title V Permit No. 1050233-001-AV to, and including, March 31, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,



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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by hand delivery to Douglas Beason, Department of Environmental Protection, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Rm. 664-B, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-2400, this 17th day of February, 1998.



Susan L. Stephens