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Ms. Lea Crandall
Agency Clerk – Office of the General Counsel
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS #35
Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000

Via FedEx
Airbill No. 7937 2023 7504

Re: **Tampa Electric Company – Polk Power Station
Draft Air Construction Permit No. 1050233-029-AC
VE, Fuel Testing and Minor Permit Revisions
Intent to Issue Air Construction Permit**

Dear Ms. Crandall:

On May 9, 2012, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) announced its intent to issue an air construction permit for the Polk Power Station located in Polk County, Florida. Tampa Electric Company (TEC) has reviewed the intent to issue the construction permit and identified several issues with the draft/proposed permits. TEC subsequently prepared a request to the Office of General Counsel to extend the petition for a formal administrative hearing to the close of business on July 6, 2012. On May 18, 2012, the Office of General Counsel granted our request for the extension (OGC Case #12-1130).

Since the approval, TEC has gathered and collected additional information in support of our comments to the draft/proposed permits. On June 20, 2012, TEC formally submitted our proposed changes to the DEP.

To accommodate further discussions with the DEP, we request that the time for Tampa Electric Company to petition for a formal administrative hearing be extended to the close of business on August 6, 2012. TEC believes that the additional time will be necessary to resolve the outstanding issues without the necessity of pursuing a formal administrative hearing.

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,

Byron T. Burrows, P.E., BCEE
Manager - Air Programs
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EHS/rfm/RAV152 VE, Fuel Testing and Minor Permit Revisions

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