



December 13, 2012

Siting Coordination Office
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 48
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

Via e-mail: SCO@dep.state.fl.us

**Re: Tampa Electric Company (TEC)
Petition for Modification of Site Certification No. 79-12
Big Bend Station – New East 40 Gypsum Storage Area**

Dear Ms. Mulkey:

As instructed, this is to notify you that the responses and accompanying attachments to address the Department's November 13, 2012 Request for Additional Information and the additional questions and comments received from the EPCHC on November 27, 2012 have been posted to the Siting Office's FTP site. The agency questions are stated in bold type, followed by the TEC responses which reference the associated attachments.

Tampa Electric looks forward to continuing to work with the Department during this certification proceeding. If you have any questions regarding this this submittal, please contact me at 813-228-4560.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Randy Melton".

B. Randall Melton, C.E.P.
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Tampa Electric Company

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