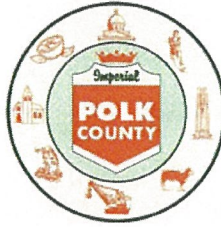


Office of Planning and Development

Land Development Division

Chandra Frederick, AICP, Director



Board of County Commissioners

330 W. Church St.
P.O. Box 9005, Drawer GM03
Bartow, FL 33831-9005
(863)534-6792
SUNCOM 569-6792
Fax 863-534-6407

January 16, 2013

Ann Seiler
Environmental Specialist
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Siting Coordination Office
3900 Commonwealth Blvd. MS 48
Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: **Polk County's Final Agency Report for the transmission line portion of the TECO
Polk Units 2-5 Conversion application**

Dear Ms. Seiler:

Polk County staff has reviewed the transmission line portion of the TECO Polk Units 2-5 Conversion application and concludes that there are no County nonprocedural requirements not specifically listed in the application for which a variance, exception, or other relief is necessary in order for the proposed transmission line corridor to be certified. The request is consistent with Section 2.125.D of the Polk County Comprehensive Plan and Section 205 of the Land Development Code.

There are no additional conditions required of TECO to comply with in the construction, operation and maintenance of the proposed transmission line. The County recommends of approval of the certification. If you have any questions regarding transmission line regulation in Polk County, the Comprehensive Plan, Land Development Code or the development process, please call me at (863) 534-6792.

Sincerely,

Erik E. Peterson, AICP
Principal Planner