



December 13, 2010

Dear Customer:

Tampa Electric is committed to continue providing our customers with up-to-date information about construction projects in their area.

In February 2010, we mailed letters to residents and property owners along the route announcing changes to our project to construct a new 230-kilovolt (kV) transmission line from Polk County to Hillsborough County. This line is necessary to ensure the continued delivery of reliable and cost-effective electric service to your area. Governor Charlie Crist and the Cabinet, sitting as the Transmission Line Siting Board, certified this transmission line corridor in July 2008.

A specific route for Phase One within the certified corridor was submitted and approved by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and other regulatory agencies. Phase One involved the construction of the 230-kV transmission line from the new Davis Substation in Temple Terrace to the new Thonotosassa Substation in Thonotosassa. Construction of Phase One began in late March 2010, and will be completed in December 2010.

A proposed route for Phase Two within the certified corridor has been determined. Tampa Electric submitted this route to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and other regulatory agencies on December 13, 2010 for their review for compliance with the conditions of certification.

Phase Two will continue the 230-kV transmission line from the Thonotosassa Substation to our existing Wheeler Substation in Valrico. The projected in-service date for the second phase is 2014.

Phase Three of the 230-kV transmission line project runs from the Wheeler Substation to the proposed Willow Oak Substation, planned at the intersection of State Road 60 and Turner Road in western Polk County. The expected in-service date for this final phase is 2018.

The timeline for completing engineering and starting construction of Phases Two and Three is still under development. Information on these activities will be provided once the milestone dates have been set.

We have enclosed an updated map of the project.

Tampa Electric will continue to inform you of our progress as additional milestones in the project are completed.

If you would like to learn more about our project plans or ongoing engineering, visit our website at tampaelectric.com/infrastructure/davis/ or contact me at (813) 275-3334. You also can visit the FDEP website at <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/siting/certification.htm>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arlee Jones", written in a cursive style.

Arlee Jones
Project Management