Terms & Conditions - Go Paperless Sweepstakes (the "Sweepstakes") Official Rules

NO PURCHASE IS NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. A PURCHASE DOES NOT INCREASE THE CHANCES OF WINNING. THE ODDS OF WINNING WILL DEPEND ON THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE ENTRIES RECEIVED.

- 1. <u>Sponsor</u>: The Sponsor of the Giveaway is Tampa Electric Company ("Sponsor"). To contact Sponsor, write to: Tampa Electric Company, 702 N. Franklin St., Tampa, FL 33602, Attn: _Communications & Marketing. The Sweepstakes and drawing(s) are not sponsored by, administered by or in any way endorsed by the issuers of gift cards or manufacturers of promotional items given as a prize.
- 2. <u>Eligibility</u>: To be eligible to win the Sweepstakes, each contestant (a "Contestant") must be a legal resident of the U.S., and must be at least 18 years old or older at the time of entry with a valid government-issued identification, and must enter the Sweepstakes in accordance with Section 5, below.

The Sweepstakes is open worldwide, and is void where prohibited by law. Employees, independent contractors, interns, officers, directors, and agents of the Sponsor their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, advertising and promotion agencies, suppliers and their immediate family members and/or those living in the same household of each, are not eligible to participate in the Sweepstakes. The Sweepstakes is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. Void where prohibited.

- 3. Agreement to Rules: By entering the Sweepstakes, the Contestant agrees to comply with and abide by these Official Rules and the decisions of the Sponsor, and each Contestant represents and warrants that s/he meets the eligibility requirements. In addition, the Contestant agrees to accept the Sponsor's decisions as final and binding as it relates to the content of this Sweepstakes. Contestants should look solely to the Sponsor with any questions, comments or issues related to the Sweepstakes.
- 4. <u>Entry Period</u>: The Sweepstakes begins on July 1, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. EST and ends on July 31, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. EST (the "Entry Period"). Entries submitted before or after the Entry Period will not be eligible.
- 5. <u>How to Enter</u>: Tampa Electric account holders that sign up for paperless billing at TECOaccount.com during the Entry Period will be automatically entered into the Sweepstakes. One entry per Tampa Electric customer account is allowed. All entries must pass any verification requirements (email or fraud score) set by the Sponsor.

Entries may also be submitted during the Entry Period by completing an online form at https://www.tampaelectric.com/PaperlessSweepstakes providing the following information: first and last name, mailing address including city, state and zip, email

address and phone number. Incomplete submissions will be disqualified. The entry must fulfil all requirements of the Sweepstakes, as specified, to be eligible to win a prize. Entries that are incomplete or do not adhere to the rules or specifications of the Sweepstakes may be disqualified at the sole discretion of the Sponsor. Contestants must provide the information requested. Contestants may not enter more times than indicated by using multiple email addresses, identities, or devices in an attempt to circumvent the rules. If a Contestant uses fraudulent methods or otherwise attempts to circumvent the rules of the Sweepstakes, such Contestant's submission may be disqualified at the sole discretion of the Sponsor.

6. <u>Prizes</u>: The winner(s) of the Sweepstakes (each, a "Winner") will receive the following prize(s):

Actual/appraised value of prizes may differ at time of prize award. The specifics of the prize shall be solely determined by the Sponsor. No cash or other prize substitution shall be permitted except for at the Sponsor's discretion. The prize is non-transferable. Substitution of the prize or transfer/assignment of the prize to others or request for the cash equivalent of the prize by the Winner is not permitted. Any and all prize related expenses, including without limitation any and all federal, state, and/or local taxes shall be the sole responsibility of the Winner. Acceptance of the prize constitutes permission for the Sponsor to use the Winner's name, likeness, and entry for purposes of advertising and trade without further compensation, unless prohibited by law.

- 7. Odds of Winning: The odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries received.
- 8. Winner Selection and Notification: The Winner will be selected from the pool of eligible individuals who elected to enter the Sweepstakes by random draw under the supervision of the Sponsor. The selection of the Winner will occur within 10 days of the conclusion of the Entry Period. The Winner will be notified via email within 7 days of the winner selection. The Sponsor shall have no liability for a Winner's failure to receive notices due to spam, junk e-mail or other security settings or for a Winner's provision of incorrect or otherwise non-functioning contact information. If the Winner cannot be contacted, is ineligible, fails to claim the prize within 7 days from the time award notification was sent, or fails to timely return a completed and executed declaration and release as required, the prize may be forfeited and an alternate Winner selected. Receipt of the prize offered in this Sweepstakes by the Winner is conditioned upon compliance with any and all federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Any violation of these official rules by the Winner at the Sponsor's sole discretion will result in the Winner's disqualification as winner, and all privileges as winner will be immediately terminated.

- Rights Granted by the Contestant: Each participant electing to enter into the Sweepstakes (i.e. Contestant), gives the Sponsor exclusive permission to print, publish, broadcast, and use Contestant's statements (provided the Contestant Is only identified by the screenname s/he used to make the statement), and, if a Contestant wins a drawing, Winner's List, without notice to Contestant and without any further compensation unless prohibited by law. By entering this content (e.g., photo, video, text, etc.), Contestant understands and agrees that the Sponsor and anyone acting on behalf of the Sponsor or its respective licensees, successors, and assigns, shall have the right, where permitted by law, to print, publish, broadcast, distribute, and use in any media now known or hereafter developed, in perpetuity and throughout the World, without limitation, Contestant's entry, name, portrait, picture, voice, likeness, image, statements about the Sweepstakes, and biographical information for news, publicity, information, trade, advertising, public relations, and promotional purposes without any further compensation, notice, review, or consent. By entering this Sweepstakes, you represent and warrant that your entry is an original work of authorship, and does not violate any third party's proprietary or intellectual property rights. If your entry infringes upon the intellectual property right of another, you will be disqualified at the sole discretion of the Sponsor. If the content of your entry is claimed to constitute infringement of any proprietary or intellectual proprietary rights of any third party, you shall, at your sole expense, defend or settle against such claims. You shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Tampa Electric Company from and against any suit, proceeding, claims, liability, loss, damage, costs or expense, which Tampa Electric Company may incur, suffer, or be required to pay arising out of such infringement or suspected infringement of any third party's right.
- 10. Terms and Conditions: The Sponsor reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the Sweepstakes. Should virus, bug, non-authorized human intervention, fraud, or other cause beyond the Sponsor's control corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, or proper conduct of the Sweepstakes, the Sponsor may select a winner(s) from eligible entries received before and/or after the action taken by the Sponsor if appropriate. The Sponsor reserves the right at its sole discretion to disqualify any individual who tampers or attempts to tamper with the entry process or the operation of the Sweepstakes or website or violates these Terms & Conditions. The Sponsor has the right, in its sole discretion, to maintain the integrity of the Sweepstakes, to void entries for any reason, including, but not limited to: multiple entries from the same user from different IP addresses; multiple entries from the same computer in excess of that allowed by Sweepstakes rules; or the use of bots, macros, scripts, or other technical means for entering. Any attempt by a Contestant to deliberately damage any website or undermine the legitimate operation of the Sweepstakes may be a violation of criminal and civil

laws. Should such an attempt be made, the Sponsor reserves the right to seek damages to the fullest extent permitted by law.

- 11. Release: BY ENTERING THE SWEEPSTAKES OR ACCEPTING A PRIZE, EACH CONTESTANT AGREES TO RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS THE SPONSOR AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES, AND AFFILIATES, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, SHAREHOLDERS, AGENTS AND REPRESENTATIVES, ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION AGENCIES, PARTNERS, REPRESENTATIVES, AGENTS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS (COLLECTIVELY, "SPONSORED PARTIES") HARMLESS FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, LOSSES, DAMAGES, RIGHTS, CLAIMS AND ACTIONS OF ANY KIND, , WHETHER CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OR NOT, FROM (I) SUCH CONTESTANT'S PARTICIPATION IN THE SWEEPSTAKES AND/OR HIS/HER ACCEPTANCE, POSSESSION, USE, OR MISUSE OF ANY PRIZE OR ANY PORTION THEREOF, INCLUDING BUT WITHOUT LIMITATION (TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW), PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, PROPERTY DAMAGE, AND CLAIMS BASED UPON PUBLICITY RIGHTS, DEFAMATION OR INVASION OR PROPERTY; (ii) unauthorized human intervention in any part of the Sweepstakes; (iii) electronic or human error in the administration of the Sweepstakes or the processing of entries; (iv) technical errors of any kind, including but not limited to the malfunction of any computer, cable, network, hardware, or software, or other mechanical equipment; (v) the unavailability or inaccessibility of any transmissions, telephone, or Internet service; (vi) printing errors; (vii) lost, late, postage due, misdirected, or undeliverable mail. SPONSOR PARTIES DISCLAIM ALL WARRANTIES AND THE SELECTED WINNER WAIVES ALL WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. SPONSOR PARTIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR ERRORS OR MALFUNCTIONS IN THE OPERATION OR CONDUCT OF THE DRAWINGS OR OF THE PRIZES. Winners will look solely to the issuer of the gift card or manufacturer to the promotional item, as applicable, for performance or warranty issues.
- 12. <u>Disputes</u>: This Giveaway is governed by the laws of [AEW4] Florida, without respect to conflict of law doctrines. Hillsborough County, Florida will be the proper venue for any dispute or litigation related to this Sweepstakes. By participating in this Sweepstakes, each Contestant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations in connection with this Sweepstakes, the drawings and any prize, and also agrees that any and all disputes that cannot be resolved between the parties, and causes of action arising out of or connected with this Sweepstakes, shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action, exclusively before a court located in Florida having jurisdiction. Further, in any such dispute, under no circumstances shall a Contestant be permitted to obtain awards for, and hereby waives all rights to, punitive, incidental, or consequential damages, including reasonable attorney's fees, other than

actual out-of-pocket expenses (i.e. costs associated with entering the Sweepstakes). Each Contestant further waives all rights to have damages multiplied or increased.

- 13. <u>Winners List</u>: To request a copy of the winners list please contact the Sponsor. Requests must be sent within four (4) weeks of the end of the Entry Period.
- 14. The Sweepstakes is in no way sponsored, endorsed, administered by, or associated with Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, YouTube, Reddit, Pinterest, LinkedIn or any other social networks that are used to share the Sweepstakes. Each Contestant understands that s/he is providing her/his information to the owner of the Sweepstakes and not to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, YouTube, Reddit, Pinterest, LinkedIn or any other social networks.
- 15. <u>Acceptance of Rules</u>: By participating in the Sweepstakes, each Contestant has affirmatively reviewed, accepted, and agreed to all of the Official Rules, Terms and Conditions.