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Via U.S. Mail and Electronic Mail

April 16, 2019

Ms. Mary Walker
Acting Regional Administrator
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) – Region 4
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Atlanta, GA 30303-8909

Re: Air Program Submittal: Proposed Revision to Florida's State Implementation Plan – Amendment to the June 7, 2018 Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the Hillsborough County Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) Nonattainment Area

Dear Ms. Walker:

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. 51.103, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) is submitting a State Implementation Plan (SIP) package to revise Florida's SIP under the federal Clean Air Act (CAA).

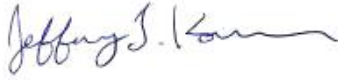
This State Plan submittal proposes to revise Florida's June 7, 2018 Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the Hillsborough County Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) Nonattainment Area. This amendment consists of incorporating recent permit revisions for Tampa Electric Company, Big Bend Station, that restrict Big Bend Units 1 and 2 to firing only natural gas, lower the four-unit SO₂ emissions cap, and amend the method of compliance used for the four-unit SO₂ emissions cap to remove the continuous emission monitoring systems for Units 1 and 2 and replace it with using 40 CFR Part 75 to calculate SO₂ emissions.

On March 7, 2019, the Department published in the Florida Administrative Register a notice of opportunity to submit comments regarding this proposed SIP revision, request a public hearing, or participate in a public hearing on April 10, 2019, if requested. No hearing was requested, and no hearing was held. This process met the public participation requirements of 40 CFR 51.102.

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The SIP submittal is enclosed and a CD containing an electronic copy has been sent directly to the Air Planning Branch for EPA Region 4. If you have any questions, please contact Hastings Read at (850) 717-9017 or by email at Hastings.Read@FloridaDEP.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jeffery F. Koerner".

Jeffery F. Koerner, Director
Division of Air Resource Management

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cc (with SIP package):

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