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TECO ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
May 15, 2001

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):  
MAY 14, 2001

TECO ENERGY, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

FLORIDA (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-8180 (Commission File Number)	59-2052286 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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702 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET, TAMPA FLORIDA 33602  
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(813) 228-4111  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

ITEM 5. OTHER

On May 14, 2001, TECO Energy, Inc. ("TECO") sold \$400 million in aggregate principal amount of one-year floating rate notes in a private placement. The closing is scheduled for May 17, 2001. The notes bear interest at a rate equal to the London Interbank Offered Rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits plus 1.10% determined quarterly. TECO expects to use the proceeds to repay short-term indebtedness and for general corporate purposes.

The notes have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933 and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements. This Current Report on Form 8-K does not constitute an offer to sell the notes, nor is TECO soliciting offers to buy them.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 14, 2001

TECO ENERGY, INC.

By: /s/ GORDON L. GILLETTE

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Gordon L. Gillette  
Sr. Vice President--Finance and  
Chief Financial Officer