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Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940												
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			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TECO ENERGY INC [TE]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(Middle)						(Check all applicable)					
C/O TECO ENERGY, INC., P.O.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2013					X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
BOX 111												
			Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
TAMPA, FL 33601-0111			Filed(M	iled(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip) Tab			ble I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	01/02/2013			А	1,171 (1)	А	\$ 16.76	144,282.5502 (2)	D			
Common Stock								37,692.3935 (2)	Ι	By limited partnership		
Common Stock								5,384.6268 <u>(2)</u> (3)	Ι	By Spouse		
Common Stock								13,000 <u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>	Ι	By Trust		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ransactionNumber Expirat			Amou Unde Secur	rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(insu

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
WHITING PAUL L C/O TECO ENERGY, INC. P.O. BOX 111 TAMPA, FL 33601-0111	X							
Signatures								
David E. Schwartz, by Power o	f	01/04/2013						

Attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The reported shares were obtained in lieu of cash compensation under the Company's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) Includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment.
- (3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (4) These shares are held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son, and the reporting person's spouse is trustee of the trust.

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