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January 15, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

TECO Energy, Inc.  
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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Florida  
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(State of Incorporation  
or Organization)

59-2052286  
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(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

702 N. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida  
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

33602  
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(Zip Code)

If this form relates to the registration of a class  
of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the  
Exchange and is effective pursuant to  
General Instruction A.(c), please check the  
following box. [X]

If this form relates to the registration  
of securities pursuant to Section 12(g)  
Exchange and is effective pursuant to  
General Instruction A.(d), please check  
the following box. [ ]

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this  
form relates: 333-61758

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(If Applicable)

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class  
to be so Registered  
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Equity Security Units

Name of Each Exchange on Which  
Each Class is to be Registered  
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The New York Stock Exchange

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

N/A  
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(Title of Class)

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### Item 1. DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT'S SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED.

The class of securities to be registered hereby is the equity security units consisting of a contract to purchase shares of common stock of TECO Energy, Inc. (the "Company") and a trust preferred security of TECO Capital Trust II, the assets thereof consisting solely of preferred securities of TECO Funding Company II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. The preferred securities of TECO Funding Company II, LLC are fully and unconditionally guaranteed on a subordinated basis by TECO Energy, Inc.

For a description of the equity securities units, reference is made to the descriptions of the equity securities units included in the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-61758) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 25, 2001 and declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 8, 2001, and in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 11, 2002 pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Registration Statement"), which description is incorporated herein by reference.

Any form of prospectus or prospectus supplement that includes such description that is subsequently filed by the TECO Energy, Inc. or TECO Capital Trust II as part of an amendment to the Registration Statement or otherwise pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act is incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 2. EXHIBITS.

The following exhibits are filed as part of this registration statement:

- 4.1 Certificate of Trust of TECO Capital Trust II. Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.5 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3, including any amendments thereto (File No. 333-50808).
- 4.2 Trust Agreement of Trust of TECO Capital Trust II. Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.6 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 including any amendments thereto (File No. 333-50808).
- 4.3\* Form of Certificate representing the Trust Preferred Securities issued by TECO Capital Trust II.
- 4.4 Form of Normal Unit Certificate. Included as Exhibit A to the Purchase Contract Agreement, filed as Exhibit 4.6 to this Registration Statement.
- 4.5\* Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of TECO Capital Trust II.
- 4.6\* Purchase Contract Agreement.
- 4.7\* Pledge Agreement.

\* Filed as an exhibit to TECO Energy, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, on January 15, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference.

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### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

TECO Energy, Inc.

By: /s/ Gordon L. Gillette

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

Date: January 15, 2002

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