SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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):

FEBRUARY 5, 2004

TECO ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

FLORIDA (State or other jurisdiction

1-8180 (Commission file **59-2052286** (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Number)

Identification No.)

702 North Franklin Street, Tampa Florida 33602

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

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

Item 5. Other Events

See the Press Release dated Feb. 5, 2004, filed as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference, announcing TECO Energy, Inc. s decision to exit from its ownership of the Union and Gila River projects and to cease further funding of these plants.

SIGNATURE

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: February 5, 2004

TECO ENERGY, INC.

Registrant

By: /s/ G. L. GILLETTE

G. L. GILLETTE

Senior Vice President Finance

and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

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