



Florida Public Service Commission **RATE CASE OVERVIEW**

AUGUST 2021

Petition for increase in rates by
Tampa Electric Company

DOCKET NO. 20210034-EI

On April 9, 2021, Tampa Electric Company (TECO) filed a petition with the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission) for a base rate increase. TECO currently provides electric service to more than 800,000 retail customers in Hillsborough and portions of Polk, Pasco, and Pinellas counties.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1 Why is TECO requesting a rate increase?

TECO is requesting a rate increase in order to recover the cost of operating the utility and allow the company the opportunity to earn a fair rate of return on its investment. TECO has requested an effective date of January 1, 2022.

2 When was TECO's last approved rate increase?

TECO's rates were last approved by the Commission in a 2017 rate case.

3 Is there an opportunity for public input on this rate case?

Yes. As part of the evaluation process for TECO's rate request, the Commission will conduct three virtual service hearings to allow feedback about TECO and the rate-setting process. Comments will be reviewed before the Commission reaches a decision. Commissioners will attend and participate during the service hearings.

To speak at a virtual service hearing, a customer must sign up via the PSC's online registration form, which will be available at www.FloridaPSC.com under the Hot Topics section on the home page. Customers without internet access can sign up to speak by calling the

PSC at 1-850-413-7080. Registration will open beginning July 28, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., and the deadline to sign up is noon **two business days** prior to each hearing.

Customers who wish to speak in Spanish are encouraged to select the hearing at which an interpreter will be available.

VIRTUAL SERVICE HEARINGS

August 9, 2021

2:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.*

August 10, 2021

10:00 a.m.

* Denotes Spanish-language interpreter available

4 What if I cannot attend the service hearing or prefer not to speak? Are there other ways to comment on this case?

Any person who wants to comment or provide information to the Commission regarding this matter may do so orally at the meeting or in writing. Written comments should be mailed to:

Florida Public Service Commission
Office of Commission Clerk
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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If cancelled, notice of meeting cancellation will be provided on the Commission's website (www.Floridapsc.com) under the Hot Topics link found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by contacting the Office of General Counsel at (850) 413-6199.

The PSC will also accept emailed comments at: clerk@psc.state.fl.us

Please be sure to include the docket number, **20210034-EI**.

Customer comments are placed on the correspondence side of the docket file and are taken into consideration by the Commissioners in reaching their decision. In accordance with Florida Statutes, the PSC will also consider TECO's quality of service and other matters. If you have questions, contact the PSC's Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach at 1-800-342-3552.

5 Presently, how much is a 1,000 kWh monthly bill for TECO residential customers?

Currently, a 1,000 kWh monthly bill for TECO residential customers is \$105.25

6 Using TECO's proposed rates, how much would a 1,000 kWh monthly bill be for TECO residential customers?

Using TECO's proposed rates, a 1,000 kWh monthly bill for residential customers is estimated to be \$125.48 effective January 1, 2022.

7 Who provides legal representation for customers in utility related matters before the Public Service Commission?

The Office of Public Counsel was established by the Florida Legislature to advocate on behalf of you and the other utility consumers before both the Commission, and other state and federal regulatory authorities. The Public Counsel is independent from the Commission, and accounts only to the people of the state of Florida through the Florida Legislature. You can reach the Office of Public Counsel at (800) 342-0222 or www.floridaopc.gov.

8 Where on the Internet can I obtain more detailed information?

Detailed docket information is available on the PSC website at www.FloridaPSC.com. Click on **Clerk's Office** then **Dockets**. Type in the docket number, **20210034**.

9 Who can answer technical or legal questions?

For technical questions, contact:

Cissy Galloway
(850) 413 - 6922

For legal questions, contact:

Charles Murphy
(850) 413 - 6191

10 When will the PSC make a decision?

After the technical hearing is completed, the PSC staff will file a recommendation with the Commission that addresses TECO's proposed revenue increase. The Commissioners will then vote on this matter at a future Commission Conference.

Based on the Commission's decision on TECO's proposed revenue increase, staff will prepare another recommendation that addresses the specific rates to be charged to each class of customers. The Commission will then vote on TECO's rates at a future Commission Conference.

11 How can I follow the PSC Commission Conference?

You can watch the Commission Conference live from the PSC website at www.Floridapsc.com. Look for the "Watch Live Broadcast" icon on the left side of the webpage.

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TECO Residential Bills at Various Usage Levels

	As of May 1, 2021	Estimated January 1, 2022
1,000 kWh		
Base Rate Charges	\$67.30	\$87.02
Fuel Charge	\$28.56	\$28.56
Other Charges*	\$6.76	\$6.76
Gross Receipts Tax	\$2.63	\$3.14
Total	\$105.25	\$125.48
1,500 kWh		
Base Rate Charges	\$98.43	\$125.02
Fuel Charge	\$47.84	\$47.84
Other Charges*	\$10.14	\$10.14
Gross Receipts Tax	\$4.01	\$4.69
Total	\$160.42	\$187.69
2,000 kWh		
Base Rate Charges	\$129.55	\$163.02
Fuel Charge	\$67.12	\$67.12
Other Charges*	\$13.52	\$13.52
Gross Receipts Tax	\$5.39	\$6.25
Total	\$215.58	\$249.91
3,000 kWh		
Base Rate Charges	\$191.80	\$239.02
Fuel Charge	\$105.68	\$105.68
Other Charges*	\$20.28	\$20.28
Gross Receipts Tax	\$8.15	\$9.36
Total	\$325.91	\$374.34

* Other charges include the energy conservation cost recovery charge, capacity charge, environmental cost recovery charge, and storm protection charge.

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