PRE-APPENDED JAN 23, 2014 - 9:28 AM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Crystal Card

From:

Ellen Plendl

Sent:

Thursday, January 23, 2014 8:43 AM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

Docket Correspondence for Docket 130140-EI

Attachments:

FW: 2014 Gulf Power rates; jesse-cornell-response.pdf

See attached correspondence and PSC response to be placed in correspondence side of Docket 130140-EI.

From:

Consumer Contact

Sent:

Tuesday, January 21, 2014 8:35 AM

To:

Ellen Plendl

Subject:

FW: 2014 Gulf Power rates

From: Jess [mailto:jess@cornell-hollow.net]
Sent: Sunday, January 19, 2014 9:09 AM

To: Office Of Commissioner Graham; Consumer Contact

Subject: 2014 Gulf Power rates

Mr. Art Graham and PSC

What a bunch of crap you guys are putting out about rates people will be paying! The below quote is from you website in regards to Gulf Powers rate increase that you all approved.

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kWh has nothing to do with base rates as the base rate never changes per kWh.

December 2013 Energy charge 0.06259/kWh used Januarry 2014 Energy charge 0.06869/kWh used

December 2013 Fuel charge 0.03832/kWh used Januarry 2014 Fuel charge 0.004201/kWh used

EXAMPLES:

December 2013, 1,000 kWh used Base rate \$15.00 Energy charge, 1,000 x 0.06259 = \$62.59 Fuel charge, 1,000 x 0.03832 = \$38.32 Total \$115.91 Janurary 2014
Base rate \$19.20
Energy charge 1,000 × 0.06869 = \$68.69
Fuel charge 1,000 × 0.04201 = \$42.01
Total \$129.90

That is a total of a 12% increase of electrical costs. That does not incluse the increase in damn taxes that go along with any increase seen in electrical costs. That base rate increase is 28% alone!

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Thanks for another line of your bull!

Jesse Cornell 5704 Falcon DR Milton, FL 32570

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Hublic Service Commission

January 23, 2014

Mr. Jesse Cornell 5704 Falcon Drive Milton, FL 32570

RE: FPSC Inquiry Number 1136499C

Dear Mr. Cornell:

This is in response to your E-mail to Chairman Art Graham, Florida Public Service Commission (Commission), regarding Gulf Power Company (Gulf Power). Given the nature of your concerns, Chairman Graham feels it would be appropriate for specialized staff of the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach to respond directly to you.

You expressed a concern regarding Gulf Power's bills and rate changes effective January 2014. Specifically, you referred to the Commission's press release regarding the stipulation and settlement agreement the Commission approved on December 3, 2013, in Gulf Power's rate case. The settlement was signed by the Office of Public Counsel (OPC), who is appointed by the Legislature to represent all customers. The Commission accepted the terms and conditions of the settlement, one of which reduced Gulf Power's overall requested increase of \$90.8 million to \$55 million.

A rate case only addresses two charges on your bill, the base charge and the non-fuel energy charge, which are referred to as base rates. Base rates collect the normal operating expenses of a utility. Those costs are fairly stable and rate cases are only conducted every few years. The \$4.06 increase in the 1,000 kilowatt-hour residential bill shown in the press release regarding the settlement therefore reflects only the change effective January 2014 in the base rates portion of your bill.

Other charges on the electric bill associated with fuel and purchased power or environmental costs are addressed in separate annual proceedings at the Commission as those charges can be more volatile with some years costs increasing and other years decreasing. Mr. Jesse Comell Page 2 January 23, 2014

You may review the press release describing these charges and the Commission's decision at the November 2013 hearing by using the following link:

http://www.floridapsc.com/home/news/index.aspx?id=1098

Your total bill calculations are correct, as the impact of the changes in base rates and other charges resulted in an increase of approximately \$14 increase on the 1,000 kwh residential bill. Thank you for sharing your views. We will add your comments to the correspondence side of Docket Nos. 130140-EI and 130001-EI, regarding the base rates and fuel cost adjustment, respectively.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Ms. Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely

Randy Roland

Regulatory Program Administrator

Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach

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From:

Betty Leland on behalf of Office Of Commissioner Graham

Sent:

Tuesday, January 21, 2014 8:07 AM Commissioner Correspondence

To: Subject:

FW: 2014 Gulf Power rates

Please place the attached e-mail in docket correspondence – consumers and their representatives in Docket No. 130140.

Thanks.

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Thanks for another line of your bull!

Jesse Cornell 5704 Falcon DR Milton, FL 32570

Hong Wang

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, December 12, 2013 2:57 PM

To: Cc: jwbar@bellsouth.net

Subject:

Consumer Correspondence re: From B. DeMello/PSC

Good afternoon:

Thank you for your correspondence, and I have included it in the docket file. I am also including a link to the Public Service Commission's news release (see below) that was issued on the approved "Stipulation and Settlement Agreement"--concerning Gulf Power Company's (Gulf) rate petition--filed by Gulf and parties to the Agreement on November 22.

http://www.floridapsc.com/home/news/index.aspx?id=1107

As I said in my previous e-mail, please feel free to call me if you have additional questions or experience any billing or service problems with Gulf.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello Assistant Director 850/413-6107

----Original Message-----

From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 3:23 PM

To: Consumer Correspondence Cc: Diane Hood; Bev DeMello

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140- Response requested

Customer correspondence

----Original Message-----

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 2:58 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140- Response requested

Copy on file, see 1132151C. DHood

----Original Message-----

From: Webmaster

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 2:49 PM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FW: My contact ----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 1:53 PM

To: Webmaster

Cc: jwbar@bellsouth.net Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: John Barton Company: N/A

Primary Phone: 850 968 6942

Secondary Phone: N/A Email: jwbar@bellsouth.net

Response requested? Yes

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

I see the Florida Public Shafting Commission approved Gulf Power Co.'s rate increase! When will you idiots get it through your thick heads? Florida will NEVER see real economic growth until utility rates are LOWERED so that businesses that locate in Florida can compete!!! Every one of you, along with the worthless governor who appointed most of you, should be tarred and feathered and run out of the state!!!!! Then, the PSC should be disbanded because all you worthless bureaucrats do is dispense political favors for the idiot governor(s)!!!!!!!

PRE-APPENDED DEC 10, 2013 - 3:09 PM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Crystal Card

From:

Ellen Plendl

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 2:46 PM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

Docket 130140-EI - Gulf Power Company

Attachments:

FW: Gulf Power; FW: Consumer Inquiry - Gulf Power Company

Please add the attached customer correspondence and PSC response to the correspondence side of 130140-EI

From:

Governor Rick Scott < Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 12:09 PM

To:

Ellen Plendl

Cc: Subject: Sunburst FW: Gulf Power

----Original Message----

From: Art Early [mailto:aearly@cox.net]
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 4:41 AM

To: Governor Rick Scott Subject: Gulf Power

From: Art Early <aearly@cox.net>

County: Okaloosa

Zip Code: 32536

Phone Number:

Message Body: Merry Christmas Governor Scott. I just read that Gulf Power has been granted rate hikes that phase in over the next two years by the Florida Public Service Commission. I read this in the NWFDN(Northwest Florida Daily News). We are heavily encouraged to conserve and save electricity by purchasing more expensive light bulbs and drastically cutting back on power usage. I even sweated more heavily this past year by barely using my AC which as you know is essential in a subtropical climate like Florida. I am doing my part as are thousands of others but every time we use less energy we never save anything because the power company is making less money due to our conservation so they get these rate hikes to make up for us doing exactly what they want us to do by using less energy. Why bother with conservation if the public is to be penalized for conserving power. We save a few pennies only to see rate hikes which eat up any savings gained through conservation. This ma!

kes no sense to me. Recently Gulf Power noted in their mail out bills how much they were saving on the cost of electricity due to our conservation. Every time the public uses less of any type of utility by doing the right thing we take it in the teeth with rate hikes because we are using less resources. I find this behavior very contradictory by Gulf Power.

From:

Randy Roland

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 2:43 PM

To:

Ellen Plendl

Subject:

FW: Consumer Inquiry - Gulf Power Company

----Original Message----

From: Randy Roland

Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2013 2:28 PM

To: 'aearly@cox.net'

Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Gulf Power Company

Mr. Art Early aearly@cox.net

Dear Mr. Early:

The Governor's office forwarded a copy of your E-mail to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regarding Gulf Power Company (Gulf Power). The PSC regulates investor-owned electric, and natural gas utilities throughout the state, and investor-owned water and wastewater utilities in those counties which have opted to transfer jurisdiction to the PSC. The PSC has authority in the telephone industry which is limited to the Lifeline Assistance Program, Florida Relay Service, and pay telephone service.

You expressed concern with Gulf Power's base rate increase. Gulf Power filed its base rate increase petition with the FPSC on July 12, 2013. The Commission held customer service hearings in Gulf's service territory in September to hear from the utility's customers.

On December 3, 2013, the FPSC approved a joint Stipulation and Settlement Agreement (Agreement) for Gulf Power's base rate petition. Signed by the Office of Public Counsel (OPC), representing all customers, and other parties to the case, the Agreement reduces Gulf's requested base rate increase from \$90.8 million to \$55 million and maintains its current Return on Equity (ROE) at 10.25 percent, instead of Gulf's requested 11.5 percent ROE.

To reduce customer bill impacts, the base rate increase will be tiered over two years. Residential customers using 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity will see an estimated monthly bill increase of \$4.06 in January 2014 and a \$2.42 monthly adjustment in January 2015.

Thank you for sharing your views. We will add your comments to the correspondence side of Docket 130140-EI. If you have any questions you may contact Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

Randy Roland Regulatory Program Administrator Florida Public Service Commission

From:

Ruth McHarque

Sent:

Thursday, December 05, 2013 1:18 PM

To: Cc: Consumer Correspondence Bev DeMello: Diane Hood

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

----Original Message-----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 2:58 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140- Response requested

Copy on file, see 1132151C. DHood

----Original Message----

From: Webmaster

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 2:49 PM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FW: My contact

----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 1:53 PM

To: Webmaster

Cc: jwbar@bellsouth.net Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: John Barton Company: N/A

Primary Phone: 850 968 6942

Secondary Phone: N/A Email: jwbar@bellsouth.net

Response requested? Yes

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

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From:

Ruth McHargue

Sent:

Thursday, December 05, 2013 1:10 PM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Cc: Subject: Diane Hood; Bev DeMello FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

----Original Message-----From: Consumer Contact

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----Original Message-----

From: Webmaster

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 8:51 AM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FW: My contact

----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 8:30 AM

To: Webmaster

Cc: johnawhitfield@hotmail.com

Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: Johnny Whitfield

Company:

Primary Phone: 850 587 2517 Secondary Phone: 850 281 9067 Email: johnawhitfield@hotmail.com

Response requested? Yes

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

Just wanted to thank the PSC for allowing Gulf Power to raise our electric rates. Too bad you aren't elected by the people, so we could vote you out of office. All of you are for the people until you get into office then you turn Judas. There's an old saying....100% of nothing is nothing. This is what we consumers will have eventually because of people like you.

Thank you,

John A. Whitfield Cantonment FL 32533

PRE-APPENDED DEC 04, 2013 - 4:46 PM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Crystal Card

From:

Ellen Plendl

Sent:

Wednesday, December 04, 2013 4:20 PM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

Docket Correspondence for Docket 130140-EI

Attachments:

FW: Public SERVICE Commission, hardly.; Consumer Inquiry - Gulf Power Company

See attached correspondence and PSC response to be placed in correspondence side of Docket 130140-EI.

From:

Consumer Contact

Sent:

Wednesday, December 04, 2013 3:36 PM

To:

Ellen Plendl

Subject:

FW: Public SERVICE Commission, hardly.

Importance:

High

----Original Message-----

From: Moore, Bill J CIV NETC HQ, N00424 [mailto:bill.j.moore@navy.mil]

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 3:34 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Public SERVICE Commission, hardly.

Importance: High

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Are you people getting paid on the side by those crooks at Southern Company, or are you just ignorant? You know there is a word in the English language called "NO" and you clowns have difficulty using it.

Don't any of you experts think Southern Co & Gulf Power could allow their shareholders feel some of the pain....instead of those of us who have NOT received any kind of a raise in over six years?

Just bend over for the power goons, and happily stick it to Floridians. Tell me the amount of times you have "approved" a rate reduction. Crickets!

Yeah, I'm waiting for your reply.

The Florida Public Service Commission this morning approved new customer rates that will pay for Gulf Power's largest-ever construction program.

The new rates will add \$4.06 per 1,000 kilowatt hours to residential rates starting in January.

In addition, in January 2015, the residential price will increase an additional \$2.42 per 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity. Originally, Gulf Power filed a request that would have increased the cost for a residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity \$10.93 per month by the end of 2015.

But after recent negotiations with major Florida-based consumer advocacy groups, Gulf Power asked the PSC to approve adjusted rates that will add a total of \$6.48 to residential bills by 2015.

"We're pleased with the PSC's decision because it will help us continue to deliver long-term, reliable service throughout Northwest Florida," said Stan Connally, Gulf Power president & CEO. "Our focus will continue to be on maintaining high reliability and high customer satisfaction. They are the heart of our business."

The settlement approved today also includes new job creation incentives that will reduce the amount businesses pay for electricity by a certain percentage for four years if the business meets certain eligibility requirements.

"Some businesses could apply for incentives for relocating to Northwest Florida or for expanding their existing business in Northwest Florida," said Connally. "This is another important element in the growing portfolio of economic development programs and activities Gulf Power can use to help draw businesses and jobs to the region."

Gulf's infrastructure improvement program, which began last year, includes the construction of a rebuilt substation on DeVilliers St. in Pensacola.

What's more, a new 38-mile line that begins in the Pensacola area and goes to the Florida-Alabama state line is also being added as a result of mandatory federal environmental compliance.

From:

Randy Roland

Sent:

Wednesday, December 04, 2013 4:08 PM

То:

'bill.j.moore@navy.mil'

Subject:

Consumer Inquiry - Gulf Power Company

Dear Mr. Moore:

This is in response to your E-mail to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regarding Gulf Power Company (Gulf Power).

Thank you for sharing your views regarding the FPSC's approval of the joint Stipulation and Settlement for Gulf Power's base rate petition. We will add your comments to the correspondence side of Docket 130140-El. If you have any questions you may contact Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

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From:

Ruth McHarque

Sent:

Wednesday, December 04, 2013 3:23 PM

To: Cc: Consumer Correspondence Diane Hood; Bev DeMello

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 130140- Response requested

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CC Sent? Yes

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DEC 04, 2013 - 12:01 PM
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From:

Ruth McHargue

Sent:

Wednesday, December 04, 2013 11:41 AM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Cc: Subject: Diane Hood; Bev DeMello FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Attachments:

FW: My contact; FW: My contact

Customer correspondence

From: Diane Hood

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 10:03 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140

These have entered as information requests, EI 804, PR-69. DHood

From:

Webmaster

Sent:

Monday, November 25, 2013 8:45 AM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

FW: My contact

----Original Message-----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, November 25, 2013 1:32 AM

To: Webmaster

Cc: JayleenFretwell@cox.net

Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: Jayleen Fretwell

Company:

Primary Phone: 8509442839

Secondary Phone:

Email: JayleenFretwell@cox.net

Response requested? No

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

Please consider not allowing Gulf Power to increase rates to pay for upcoming network structures. They could cut down on cost and use natural gas to generate electricity and save those cost to upgrade. We've been getting increases from them for a long time now. We were told when Ivan came through that it destroyed the infrastructure. We were also told that increases then would repair these issues. For those on a pension the extra money will greatly affect us. Again please consider not allowing these rate increases.

From:

Webmaster

Sent:

Monday, November 25, 2013 8:45 AM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

FW: My contact

----Original Message-----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Saturday, November 23, 2013 6:38 AM

To: Webmaster Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: Lyn Limpert Company: na Primary Phone: Secondary Phone:

Email:

Response requested? No CC Sent? No

Comments:

There are many retired people in Florida. If Gulf Power is allowed to increase their rates by \$10/month that has taken away the entire cost of living increase for people on SSI. If you allow them to increase their rates then make them give seniors a price break. You are also forcing small businesses to raise their prices to cover costs. The economy is not doing well and this will not help it. Please vote against this rate increase. Gilf Power is a monopoly and we have no choice but to use it.

PRE-APPENDED DEC 03, 2013 - 4:57 PM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Shawna Senko

From:

Ellen Plendl

Sent:

Tuesday, December 03, 2013 4:34 PM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

Docket Correspondence for Docket 130140-EI

Attachments:

RE: Gulf power-PSC; Consumer Inquiry - Gulf Power Company

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Shawna Senko

From:

Governor Rick Scott < Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, December 03, 2013 3:47 PM

To: Cc: W.E. Bassett Sunburst

Subject:

RE: Gulf power-PSC

Dear Mr. Bassett:

Thank you for contacting Governor Rick Scott's Office and sharing your views. Governor Scott asked that I respond on his behalf.

To assist you with your concerns, I forwarded a copy of your letter to the Public Service Commission for their review. If you want to contact the PSC directly please call 1-800-342-3552 or contact them by using the information provided below.

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 (850) 413-6100

Thank you again for taking the time to contact Governor Scott.

Sincerely,

Kelly Pacchioli Office of Citizen Services Executive Office of the Governor

----Original Message----

From: W.E. Bassett [mailto:bbbass123@aol.com] Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2013 11:07 AM

To: Governor Rick Scott Subject: Gulf power-PSC

From: W.E. Bassett < bbbass123@aol.com >

County: Escambia

Zip Code: 32526

Phone Number:

Message Body: I think you should investigate the relationship between the PSC and Gulf Power and its Lobbyist. Again North FI is being sold out regarding all these rate increase's. Why has Gul Power not rolled back the rate increase approved for recovery of hurricane cost? That was over 10 years ago and its still being collected. They received a rate increase recently to acquire land for a nuclear plant and shortly after channed their mind. Why wasn't the increase retracted? Where is the watchdog group to force Gulp Power to do with the rate increase's what they pledged to do with it. The increase's should go into an account to be released by the State only after absolute verification that the

funds were used as requested. Most of the increase's end up in executive salaries and benefits that far exceed the norm here in this area. In fact, most of the large salaries of employees at Gulf do not go for work performed in their area, most go to enrich Southern Company's venture's!

elsewhere. Why are we being forced to pay for all this? We are next to the poorest count in the State, but yet, the second most highest taxed and paying one of the highest electric rate's in the counntry! The land purchase paid for by the large rate increase was nothing but a "ShaM" as it rewarded old favor's to friends, poliitician"s and well connected lobbyist. of friends owning worthless land. I went and examined this land. What a joke! You should call them on the carpet and investigate where all these rate increases actually went. THIS YOU OWE TO NORTH FLORIDA! These next rate increase's should be held as a construction loan and released only after verifacation in stage's. Thank you........

Shawna Senko

From:

Randy Roland

Sent:

Tuesday, December 03, 2013 4:24 PM

To:

'bbbass123@aol.com'

Subject:

Consumer Inquiry - Gulf Power Company

Mr. W.E. Bassett bbbass123@aol.com

Dear Mr. Bassett:

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Office of Public Counsel 111 West Madison Street, Room 812 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1400

Toll-Free Telephone: 1-800-342-0222

Fax: 850-487-6419

Thank you for sharing your views. We will add your comments to the correspondence side of Docket 130140-EI. If you have any questions you may contact Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

Randy Roland Regulatory Program Administrator Florida Public Service Commission

PRE-APPENDED DEC 03, 2013 - 9:14 AM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Shawna Senko

From:

Randy Roland

Sent:

Monday, December 02, 2013 4:11 PM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

Docket 130140E - Consumer Correspondence

Attachments:

To CLK Docket 130140

Please add the attached consumer correspondence to Docket 130140E.

Shawna Senko

From:

Consumer Contact

Sent:

Monday, December 02, 2013 2:36 PM

To:

Randy Roland

Subject:

To CLK Docket 130140

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From: Dawn Corrigan [mailto:dawncorrigan@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, December 02, 2013 2:28 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Gulf Power Proposed Rate Increases for 2014 and 2015

To the Florida Public Service Commission:

I'm writing to express my concern about the rate increases Gulf Power has proposed for 2014 and 2015. I believe these rate increases will have the effect of making housing unaffordable for a greater percentage of our residents, particularly in the county where I work, Escambia County.

In its "2013 Rental Market Study: Affordable Rental Housing Needs," published on April 7 of this year, Florida Housing Finance Corporation reported a 29% increase, statewide, in low income families who pay more than 40% of their income toward rent between 2005 and 2011. Increased utility costs will only further destabilize these families, and our communities.

I work with low-income households in Escambia County, and I can attest that crippling utility costs, and large debts to utility companies, often prevent these households from living independently, relocating out of high-poverty census tracts, or achieving self-sufficiency. At times, such costs and debts can even be a barrier to overcoming homelessness.

This is not a time when our community can afford to take on more of this burden. If Gulf Power's profitability were in jeopardy, I can imagine a different conversation. But it is not.

I would also like to express concern about the proposed settlement agreement about the rate hike--or at least, about the way it is being reported by my local media. In the "Notice to Customers" that Gulf Power sent me back in July, they indicated their 2014 Proposed Rate for residential service was \$127.82 for 1,000 kilowatt hours, with an additional, unspecified, increase proposed for 2015. However, on November 22, the *Pensacola News Journal* reported that "If approved by the PSC early next year, the residential rate for 1,000 kilowatt hours will increase from its current \$127.94 to \$132."

The problem with this reportage, of course, is that Gulf Power's current residential rate is not \$127.94 for 1,000 kilowatt hours, it's \$118.88. The media seems to be suggesting that, back in July, Gulf Power proposed to raise my 1k-kilowatt cost from \$118.88 to \$127.82 in 2014. But now, instead, after the intervention of "consumer groups," they are all set to raise it from \$118.88 to \$132 in 2014.

I'm sure there's a piece missing from my understanding of this puzzle. But without that additional knowledge, it appears as though these "consumer groups" actually allowed Gulf Power to negotiate *up* to a higher increase than the rather steep one originally proposed. Surely not, right?--But if so, then these "consumer groups" are certainly not representing *my* best interests, nor those of my community.

Thank you for your time.

Regards, Dawn Corrigan Gulf Breeze, Florida

Shawna Senko

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Wednesday, November 27, 2013 11:13 AM

To: Cc: 'jwbar@bellsouth.net' Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Good morning:

At the Commission Conference on December 3, the Florida Public Service Commission will take up a "Stipulation and Settlement Agreement"--concerning Gulf Power Company's (Gulf) rate petition--filed by Gulf and parties to the Agreement on November 22.

Please call me at 850/413-6107 if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Bev DeMello

Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach Florida Public Service Commission

----Original Message-----From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Monday, November 25, 2013 10:58 AM

To: Consumer Correspondence

Cc: Diane Hood

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

----Original Message----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Monday, November 25, 2013 10:06 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140- Response requested

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----Original Message----

From: Webmaster

Sent: Monday, November 25, 2013 8:45 AM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FW: My contact

----Original Message-----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Sunday, November 24, 2013 8:03 AM

To: Webmaster

Cc: <u>jwbar@bellsouth.net</u> Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: John Barton Company: N//A

Primary Phone: 850 968 6942

Secondary Phone:

Email: jwbar@bellsouth.net

Response requested? Yes CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

I read in the Pensacola News Journal today, that Gulf Power Company is requesting YET ANOTHER rate increase! GPC needs to do what rate payers must do; LIVE WITHIN THEIR MEANS! If The Florida Public Service Commission truly desires to serve the consumers, and promote economic growth in Florida, it will do what Texas has done: PROMOTE COMPETITION AND ELIMINATE MONOPOLIES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Hublic Service Commission

November 22, 2013

Mr. Archie Harris 26 Rockwood Road Pensacola, FL 32514

RE: FPSC Inquiry Number 1131133C

Dear Mr. Harris:

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This is a follow up to your November 21, 2013 telephone conversation with Mr. Rey Castillo at the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regarding Gulf Power Company (Gulf Power). We appreciate the opportunity to assist you.

You expressed a concern about fuel adjustment charges. Fuel adjustment charges allow the utility to recover the actual expenses associated with securing and processing fuel necessary to run the power plants used to generate electricity. Fuel rates mirror rising and falling fuel costs as reflected in the international marketplace. The revenue generated by the fuel adjustment charge does not add to the profit of the utility companies, but goes to pay fuel suppliers and transporters. The cost of fuel is shown as a separate cents per kilowatt-hour charge, and fuel costs are not contained in any other charge on your bill.

Each year, utilities file their projected fuel expenses for the upcoming calendar year. The FPSC, along with the Office of Public Counsel and other consumer representatives closely examine the fuel costs requested by the utilities. Public hearings are held annually to set the fuel factors for the next year. Since rates are set on projected costs, at the end of the year, the costs are "trued-up" or compared to the audited actual expenses incurred by the utility. If the utility recovered more than its actual costs, the amount of over-recovery is used to reduce the next year's costs. If the utility under-recovered (costs were higher than expected) that deficit is likewise rolled into the next year. The fuel cost adjustment is recognized by virtually all state commissions, by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and is also used by most municipal electric utilities and rural electric cooperatives.

On November 4, 2013, the FPSC set the 2014 fuel adjustment charges for the customers of Florida investor-owned electric utilities. The fuel adjustment charges were

Mr. Archie Harris Page 2 November 22, 2013

decided at a hearing where the FPSC considered each utility's projected costs of fuel and the purchased power for 2014 as well as 'trued up' costs for 2013.

As a result of the November 4, 2013 hearing, a Gulf Power residential customer using 1000 kWh will see their bill increase from \$118.88 to \$127.94. The fuel portion of the bill will increase by \$9.06.

You also expressed a concern about Gulf Power's petition for rate increase. I have enclosed the FPSC's special report for your review. The Commissioners are expected to vote on the petition at the March 11, 2014 Commission Conference. You may view the Commission Conference by using the following link:

http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/audiovideo/index.asp

We will add your comments to the correspondence side of Docket Nos. 130001-EI and 130140-EI regarding the fuel cost adjustment and petition for rate increase, respectively.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

X anof la la Randy Roland

Regulatory Program Administrator

Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach

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Enclosure

Randy Roland

From:

Rev Castillo

Sent:

Thursday, November 21, 2013 3:13 PM

To:

Randy Roland

Subject:

Electric Utility Protest

RE: 1131133C

Randy,

I received a call from this individual regarding a protest against Gulf Power. He wants a response in writing from one of the commissioners.

Customer stated that he is a retired engineer. Customer stated how upset he is with Gulf Power continuing to request rate increases. Customer stated that as a citizen of Florida he cannot understand how the FPSC can entertain their requests for a rate increase. Customer stated that Gulf Power is already charging the highest rates to their customers among the energy providers in the southeast. Customer stated that he understands that the request for rate increase is to improve their facilities but to take more money from their customers when they are already amply paid is preposterous. Customer stated that he requests that his protest is forwarded to the appropriate commissioner and requests a response in writing regarding this protest.

Consumer Information:

Archie Harris 26 Rockwood Road Pensacola, FL 32514

Tel. # 850.475.0090

Rey Castillo Regulatory Specialist Consumer Assistance and Outreach Office Telephone #36119



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October 17, 2013

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

RE: Gulf Power Proposed Rate Hike Docket # 130140-EI

This letter is to protest the proposed rate hike by Gulf Power. I am opposed to another rate increase. We just endured a rate increase in 2012, and not just a rate increase, they increased our "Base Charge" from \$10.84 to \$15.00. So we got hit with a double whammy and in the poorest of economic times.

As public servants, I believe the Commission has an obligation to draw a line and not allow this! Where does it stop? The majority of Americans are in the low to middle income brackets and cannot afford an increase of this magnitude... we're barely paying the bills and putting food on the table as it is.

If this increase happens, for the most of us, it will have to come out of our food budgets, which are already taking hits from rising prices in food, car gas, etc. We have to pay our bills, so the bills get paid, but the thing affected most is the quality of food we're able to buy for our families, which leads to medical problems/bills and, there's certainly no money for that; but the electric bill gets paid. So, sure, we'll have to pay whatever you decide, but there'll have to be sacrifices made in other areas... especially when it comes to the health of our families!

In the decision-making process, I believe the Commission needs to consider the salaries of the Gulf Power employees, from the lowest to the highest paid. I also feel the history of how they've spent their profits so far as re-investing into the infrastructure should be looked at by the Commission. If only the "base charge" they'd received from every customer over the last 20-30 years, had been put back into infrastructure, there wouldn't be any problem there. Of course, they're now getting \$15.00 per customer! What will be done with that?

If the Commission can't hold Gulf Power to fair and reasonable prices for the average citizen, then the average citizen needs to have other options besides Gulf Power. In other words, allow competition from other energy providers, so that we're not forced to purchase power from only one company... it's called 'free enterprise' as opposed to 'monopoly.'

I'm not very hopeful that the best decision for "we the people" will happen. You see, I sent an email to the Commission when Gulf Power first upped the "base charge" on us, and I received a <u>form letter</u> back in response... needless to say, I wasn't impressed!

I dare you, the Commission, to actually make the best decision for all of us. We'd all be grateful.

Wanda Horne 2627 E. 16th St.

Panama City, FL 32405

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Hublic Service Commission

October 2, 2013

Ms. Arlene Rein 3033 Meadow Street Lynn Haven, Florida 32444

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

Dear Ms. Rein:

CEIVED-FPSC OCT -3 AM 9: 5 COMMISSION CLERK

Thank you for your recent e-mail to the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC). To give Commissioners and staff an opportunity to review and understand your concerns about the rate increase petition filed by Gulf Power Company (Gulf), I have placed your e-mail on the correspondence side of the docket file.

The PSC encourages customer participation and recently held customer service hearings in Gulf's service territory. All customer comments during the hearings and customer correspondence, including yours, will be reviewed and considered when PSC staff prepares its recommendation to the Commissioners on Gulf's proposed rates.

Gulf's rate case hearing before the PSC will be in Tallahassee. Witnesses from the utility, the Commission staff, and the Office of Public Counsel will present testimony, introduce exhibits, and be cross-examined before the Commissioners. Commissioners will review Gulf's need for a rate increase, its existing and proposed rate structure, and its ability to provide safe and reliable service.

After the rate case hearing dates are scheduled, you can find them on the Commission Calendar at: http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/pdf/calendar.pdf, and you can view the hearing at the following link: http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/audiovideo/index.aspx.

PSC hearings and events are archived and available for three months following their conclusion and can be viewed at: http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/audiovideo/archives/.

Commissioners are charged with making sure that Florida's utility companies, including Gulf, fulfill their service obligation. In its petition to the PSC, Gulf said its rate adjustment is needed, in part, because, "Gulf has continued to invest heavily, particularly in transmission assets...and the associated increase in rate base has outpaced relatively flat sales and customer growth." The PSC will ensure that final customer rates reflect only those costs that are prudent and necessary for Gulf to deliver quality electric service to your home or business.

Thank you again for your correspondence, and if you have additional questions or need further assistance, please call our toll-free number, 1-800-342-3552. If you want updated case information, visit the PSC's website, www.floridapsc.com; look for the Clerk's Office tab, then hit Dockets, and type in the Gulf case number 130140-EI.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello Assistant Director 850-413-6107

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cc: Commission Clerk

September 30, 2013

Florida Public Service Commission Attn: Ann Cole 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Docket No. 130140-El

GULF POWER Increase

Dear Ms. Cole:

In early September, 2013, a petition (copy attached) was sent to you from residents in the Pensacola area who are against an increase from Gulf Power. Since that time, many of us have received phone calls from Gulf Power employees explaining our outages/surges. Here are the explanations many of us received:

- 1. An underground trunk line had a loose wire.
- 2. Protractors and heat lightning are the problem.
- 3. Trees branches and limbs brushing against power lines. (Our equipment is underground)
- 4. Squirrels running along power line. (Underground equipment)
- 5. Construction in the area. (No construction within a several mile radius)

REALLY!!!! It was a nice Public Relations effort, but do they really think we are that gullible? Now we are angry. They want us, the consumer, to pay for "strengthening existing infrastructure and adding new transmission lines and to help them with new federal environmental regulations".

What happened to all the money we have paid for service over the years? Surely, they thought far enough ahead to plan for these issues. Maybe it's time for Gulf Power executives sell off a corporate jet or two and give up their large bonuses or cut salaries. After all, we have been dealing with their inferior service for years, while still paying a premium rate. In light of our countries economic situation, Gulf Power's timing is very poor.

I trust you will forward my letter to Gulf Power. They can also expect another, larger petition.

Sincerely,

Jeonifer Butler (On behalf of the of the petition group)

13 OCT -2 AM 9: 3

1427 Champions Green Drive Gulf Breeze, FL 32563 (850)910-0535 Florida Public Service Commission Attn: Ann Cole 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Docket No. 130140-El Gulf Power Company Increase

Dear Ms. Cole

We strongly oppose another increase for GULF POWER COMPANY. We have experienced far too many power outages/surges over the past several years for no apparent reason (no inclement weather or accidents). Documentation has been proved to our local representatives to no avail. We are concerned with the affect these outages/surges have on our appliances, HVAC units and electronics, not to mention the nuisance of frequently re-setting clocks throughout the house.

Many of us have lived in other areas of the State or other States and have not experienced such deplorable service. We are requesting that GULF POWER COMPANY incur the cost of providing adequate/quality service before they request another increase to consumers.

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J. Butler 1427 Champions Green Drive Gulf Breeze, FL 32563

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DATE:

Sept. 27,2013

TO:

Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Bureau of Consumer Assistance, Division of Safety, Reliability & Consumer

Assistance

RE:

Customer Correspondence

Please add the attached customer correspondence to Docket Correspondence-Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket ____/30_/40.

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Persons who wish to present testimony are urged to appear at the beginning of the hearings. If no witnesses are present to testify at that time, the hearings may be adjourned early.

The rate case hearings are scheduled to be held in Tallahassee on Dec. 9 – 13, 2013.

For your information, we are providing contact information for the Florida Public Service Commission's Consumer Affairs Department.

Consumer Affairs Department Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 1-800-342-3552

The FPSC will also accept faxes and emails.

Fax number: 1-800-511-0809

Email address: contact@psc.state.fl.us

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Rate Class	kW	kWh	Present Rate	2014 Proposed Rate
RS		1,000	\$118.88	\$127.82
GS		1,500	\$181.69	\$191.1,7
GSD	25	11,000	\$1,007.54	\$1,055.63
GSD	50	11,000	\$1,160.10	\$1,231.02
LP	500	288,000	\$23,713.83	\$25,421.48
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Name	Present Charge	Proposed Charge
Connection of Initial Service – Residential	\$27.00	\$27.00
Connection of Initial Service – Non-Residential	\$27.00	\$50.00
Connection of Existing Service – Residential	\$27.00	\$27.00
Connection of Existing Service – Non-Residential	\$27.00	\$50.00
Restoration of Service (After Violation of Rules)	\$35.00	\$60.00
Restoration of Service After Hours (After Violation of Rules)	\$55.00	\$80.00
Restoration of Service at Pole (After Violation of Rules)	\$95.00	\$100.00
Premise Visit	\$20.00	\$30.00
Connection of Temporary Service	\$110.00	\$110.00
Investigation of Unauthorized Use	\$75.00	\$75.00
Returned Item Charge < \$50	\$25.00	\$25.00
Returned Item Charge >\$50 and < \$300	\$30.00	\$30.00
Returned Item Charge >\$300	\$40.00	\$40.00

If any thing with all the money this Company
Gulf Power makes you should be giving back
to the Community

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NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

On July 12, 2013, Gulf Power Company filed with the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) a request for approval to increase the Company's annual retail revenues. Currently, Gulf Power's total residential price (base rate plus all clause rates) is lower than it was in 2009. Gulf Power's proposed base rate request, if approved, would increase the total bill in April 2014 for a residential customer buying 1,000 kilowatt-hours by \$8.94 per month or 7.5 percent — from \$118.88 to \$127.82. The company is requesting an additional increase in 2015 for transmission investments caused by mandatory federal environmental compliance requirements.

This filing has been assigned Docket No. 130140-El by the FPSC. The Office of Public Counsel (OPC) has intervened in this Docket. The duty of the OPC is to provide legal representation for the people of the state in proceedings before the commission. OPC representatives may be contacted prior to the hearing at 111 West Madison St., Room 812, Tallahassee FL 32399-1400, or by phone at 1-800-342-0222.

Gulf Power is investing in customers and communities through the largest power grid construction program in its history. Major investments have been made to maintain our electric system, to strengthen our existing infrastructure and to add new transmission lines.

Part of the new transmission line construction is to help the company comply with new federal environmental regulations that will change the way we operate our plants and will require plants to be shut down at regular intervals. The new lines and equipment will be used to ensure voltage stability and reliable power flow.

From 2012 through 2015, we are investing \$750 million dollars on maintenance, improvements and key transmission projects. These improvements are necessary to continue to provide reliable service to customers.

The present rates will remain in effect until new rates become operative under Florida Law. Copies of the rate case filing, including proposed rate schedules, are available for inspection at your local Gulf Power office.

Company personnel are available at all Gulf Power offices to answer questions concerning this request. They may be contacted at the address or telephone number on your electricity bill, at GulfPower.com or through a local directory.

A copy of the Minimum Filing Requirements (MFRs) and a summary or synopsis of our rate request can be found at www.gulfpower.com/filing. Additionally, these documents are available for review during normal business hours at the following public libraries:

City of Fort Walton Beach Public Library 185 Miracle Strip Pkwy. SW Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548 West Florida Regional Library 200 W Gregory St. Pensacola, FL 32502

Northwest Florida Regional Library 898 W 11th St. Panama City, FL 32401

The Florida Public Service Commission will hold two public customer service hearings. The purpose of the hearings is to allow members of the public to give testimony regarding the proposed rates and the quality of service provided by Gulf Power Company.

The hearings are scheduled as follows: Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 4 p.m. CST Pensacola State College, Hagler Auditorium 1000 College Blvd., Pensacola, FL 32504 (Note: Hagler Auditorium is at the corner of Underwood Avenue and Ninth Avenue.)

Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 10 a.m. CST Edgewater Beach Conference Center 11212 Front Beach Rd. Panama City Beach, FL 32407



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PRE-APPENDED SEP 26, 2013 - 10:35 AM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Shawna Senko

From:

Cristina Slaton

Sent:

Thursday, September 26, 2013 10:28 AM

To:

Commissioner Correspondence

Subject:

130140-EI Correspondence

Attachments:

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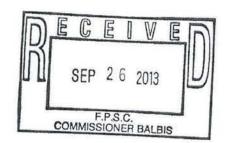
Please place the attached letter from Gulf Power as Docket Correspondence in Docket No. 130140-El.

Thank you,

Cristina Slaton Executive Assistant to Commissioner Balbis

PH: (850) 413-6004 JX: (850) 413-6005 cslaton@psc.state.fl.us Bernard Jacob Vice President Customer Service and Operations One Energy Place Pensacola, Florida 32520-0100

Tel 850 444.6382





September 23, 2013

Ms. Cindy Muir, Director Consumer Assistance and Outreach Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Follow-up to Service Hearings; Docket No. 130140-El

Dear Ms. Muir:

The recent Service Hearings held in Pensacola and Panama City gave us the opportunity to hear firsthand from our customers about the service we provide in northwest Florida. Our customers spoke and we listened. Most of them spoke about issues impacting their lives – very few were related to the level or reliability of service we provide. However, we understand their challenges and we want to help. In preparation for these hearings, Gulf Power established a customer service team to assist customers before, during and after the hearings. Customers who met with our onsite team were able to resolve their concerns immediately. We continued to follow-up on these issues after the Service Hearings to resolve any outstanding concerns. Please find attached a summary log of the customers we assisted. The summary identifies these customers and their concerns. It also addresses the immediate action we took to resolve their questions and provides an outline of the actions taken.

In addition, we are contacting each of our customers who spoke at the Service Hearings to offer additional assistance, along with company contact information. We will also offer comprehensive information about energy efficiency, billing programs and offer personalized assistance such as organizations in their area that can provide bill payment assistance.

P. Bernard Jacob September 23, 2013 Page 2

Our customers are at the center of everything we do. We heard our customers and value their comments. Our commitment and customer focus is reflected in the comments provided by several of our customers at the Service Hearings and in our annual customer satisfaction rankings. Gulf Power has proudly provided safe and reliable service since 1926 and we look forward to continuing to serve northwest Florida in the coming years.

Respectfully,

PBJ/Ij

Enclosure

cc: Florida Public Service Commission

Mr. Ronald A. Brise', Chairman

Ms. Lisa Polak Edgar

Mr. Art Graham

Mr. Eduardo E. Balbis

Ms. Julie Imanuel Brown

Mr. Braulio L. Baez, Executive Director

Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk

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Gulf Power Company

Mr. Robert L. McGee

Beggs and Lane

Mr. Jeffrey A. Stone

Florida Public Service Commission Gulf Power Service Hearings Customer Service Contacts/Follow-up

The following information is a summary of Gulf Power's customer service contacts and follow-up actions from the September Service Hearings.

Pensacola: September 3, 2013 4:00pm Pensacola State College Hagler Auditorium

Chester Holland – 5950 Frank Reeder Road, Pensacola Service Hearing concern: Pole replacement; tree trim

Action taken: The pole Mr. Holland is concerned about is a joint-use pole owned by AT&T. A Gulf Power representative had previously explained the nature of the joint-use agreement and that the pole is not a Gulf Power pole. After the hearings, a Gulf Power representative contacted AT&T about the pole and asked them to contact Mr. Holland. A tree trim request had been issued on August 28 via the Gulf Power Customer Care Center per a phone call from Mr. Holland. A Gulf Power tree trimming crew visited the customer's site on September 4 and trimmed the location to Mr. Holland's satisfaction.

Shirley McCraw – 1595 Bush Street, Pensacola Service Hearing concern: Energy efficiency, affordability

<u>Action taken</u>: A Gulf Power marketing representative spoke with Mrs. McCraw at the hearings, reviewed her bills and set up an appointment to perform an energy audit of her home. The audit was performed on Sept 10. The Gulf Power representative and the customer reviewed her already low energy use and identified a few more potential savings areas as well as Gulf Power programs that can help her manage her use. The customer appeared to be satisfied at the conclusion of the meeting.

Panama City: September 4, 2013 10:00am Edgewater Beach Resort

Joe Thomas – 181 Boca Lagoon Drive, Panama City Beach Service Hearing concern: High use and bills, power quality

Action taken: Gulf Power representatives spoke with Mr. Thomas at the hearings and set up appointments for further investigation of his concerns. An energy audit was conducted with the customer at his home. The marketing representative left a detailed written report of the recommendations to improve the energy efficiency of the home. The customer was pleased with the thoroughness and the specific recommendations of the audit. Gulf Power's power delivery personnel reviewed operational data of the distribution and transmission serving the customer's home and determined the system is operating as it should. Gulf Power is continuing to perform outage mitigation work on the feeders in the Panama City area and this feeder will be reviewed within the next few weeks in a more detailed manner. This analysis was explained to the customer and he is satisfied with the information.

Bernard Jacob Vice President Customer Service and

Operations

One Energy Place Pensacola, Florida 32520-0100

Tel 850.444.6382

PRE-APPENDED SEP 26, 2013 - 10:45 AM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13



September 23, 2013

Ms. Cindy Muir, Director Consumer Assistance and Outreach Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Follow-up to Service Hearings; Docket No. 130140-El

Dear Ms. Muir:

The recent Service Hearings held in Pensacola and Panama City gave us the opportunity to hear firsthand from our customers about the service we provide in northwest Florida. Our customers spoke and we listened. Most of them spoke about issues impacting their lives – very few were related to the level or reliability of service we provide. However, we understand their challenges and we want to help. In preparation for these hearings, Gulf Power established a customer service team to assist customers before, during and after the hearings. Customers who met with our onsite team were able to resolve their concerns immediately. We continued to follow-up on these issues after the Service Hearings to resolve any outstanding concerns. Please find attached a summary log of the customers we assisted. The summary identifies these customers and their concerns. It also addresses the immediate action we took to resolve their questions and provides an outline of the actions taken.

In addition, we are contacting each of our customers who spoke at the Service Hearings to offer additional assistance, along with company contact information. We will also offer comprehensive information about energy efficiency, billing programs and offer personalized assistance such as organizations in their area that can provide bill payment assistance.

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P. Bernard Jacob September 23, 2013 Page 2

Our customers are at the center of everything we do. We heard our customers and value their comments. Our commitment and customer focus is reflected in the comments provided by several of our customers at the Service Hearings and in our annual customer satisfaction rankings. Gulf Power has proudly provided safe and reliable service since 1926 and we look forward to continuing to serve northwest Florida in the coming years.

Respectfully,

PBJ/lj

Enclosure

cc: Florida Public Service Commission

Mr. Ronald A. Brise', Chairman

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Florida Public Service Commission Gulf Power Service Hearings Customer Service Contacts/Follow-up

The following information is a summary of Gulf Power's customer service contacts and follow-up actions from the September Service Hearings.

Pensacola:

September 3, 2013 4:00pm Pensacola State College Hagler Auditorium

Chester Holland – 5950 Frank Reeder Road, Pensacola Service Hearing concern: Pole replacement; tree trim

Action taken: The pole Mr. Holland is concerned about is a joint-use pole owned by AT&T. A Gulf Power representative had previously explained the nature of the joint-use agreement and that the pole is not a Gulf Power pole. After the hearings, a Gulf Power representative contacted AT&T about the pole and asked them to contact Mr. Holland. A tree trim request had been issued on August 28 via the Gulf Power Customer Care Center per a phone call from Mr. Holland. A Gulf Power tree trimming crew visited the customer's site on September 4 and trimmed the location to Mr. Holland's satisfaction.

Shirley McCraw – 1595 Bush Street, Pensacola Service Hearing concern: Energy efficiency, affordability

<u>Action taken</u>: A Gulf Power marketing representative spoke with Mrs. McCraw at the hearings, reviewed her bills and set up an appointment to perform an energy audit of her home. The audit was performed on Sept 10. The Gulf Power representative and the customer reviewed her already low energy use and identified a few more potential savings areas as well as Gulf Power programs that can help her manage her use. The customer appeared to be satisfied at the conclusion of the meeting.

Panama City: September 4, 2013 10:00am Edgewater Beach Resort

Joe Thomas – 181 Boca Lagoon Drive, Panama City Beach Service Hearing concern: High use and bills, power quality

Action taken: Gulf Power representatives spoke with Mr. Thomas at the hearings and set up appointments for further investigation of his concerns. An energy audit was conducted with the customer at his home. The marketing representative left a detailed written report of the recommendations to improve the energy efficiency of the home. The customer was pleased with the thoroughness and the specific recommendations of the audit. Gulf Power's power delivery personnel reviewed operational data of the distribution and transmission serving the customer's home and determined the system is operating as it should. Gulf Power is continuing to perform outage mitigation work on the feeders in the Panama City area and this feeder will be reviewed within the next few weeks in a more detailed manner. This analysis was explained to the customer and he is satisfied with the information.



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Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Shawna Senko

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 10:42 AM

To:

'dejlr75@mail.com'

Cc: Subject: Consumer Correspondence FW: To CLK Docket 130140

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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Sincerely,

Bev DeMello Assistant Director 850-413-6107

BSD/bsd

cc: Commission Clerk

----Original Message-----From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 11:24 AM

To: Consumer Correspondence Cc: Bev DeMello; Diane Hood Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

----Original Message----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 11:09 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140

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----Original Message----

From: Webmaster

Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 10:19 AM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FW: My contact

----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Sunday, September 08, 2013 6:41 PM

To: Webmaster

Cc: dejlr75@mail.comg Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: Janet Roach

Company:

Primary Phone: 3343336207

Secondary Phone:

Email: dejlr75@mail.comg

Response requested? No

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

I wish to comment on Gulf powers request for their 7.5% rate hike for 2014 and another increase of 1.5% in 2015. My husband and myself are on a fixed income. We cannot afford to pay for Gulf power to up keep their equipment. When you own a business that is part of the business cost. I think you should not approve their request.

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Petition for rate increase by

Gulf Power Company

DOCKET NO. 130140-EI

Name Mrs. Mystle H. King Address 1403 N. "V" Sheet Pensacola, 7l. 32505 RECEIVED FPSC 18 SEP 19 AM 9: 29 COMMISSION CLERK

Please submit your comments about this docket to the Florida Public Service Commission by completing this comment form and returning it by mail, or send a fax to 1-800-511-0809.

Correspondence will be placed in the file of this docket.

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Shawna Senko

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 10:38 AM

To:

'brendaandhelen11@yahoo.com'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 130140

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Sincerely,

Bev DeMello Assistant Director

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cc: Commission Clerk

From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Friday, September 13, 2013 9:20 AM

To: Consumer Correspondence **Cc:** Diane Hood; Bev DeMello

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Friday, September 13, 2013 8:27 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140

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From: Helen Wilcox [mailto:brendaandhelen11@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 5:00 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Proposed rate hike by Gulf Power

Hello:

I am a retired widow and on a very stick budget. I already have a budget plan with Gulf Power and cannot afford to have my rates increased.

Thank you for your consideration.

Helen Wilcox

Shawna Senko

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 10:44 AM

To:

'malachi32455@yahoo.com'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

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Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 4:04 PM

To: Consumer Correspondence Cc: Bev DeMello; Diane Hood Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

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Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 3:40 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140- Response requested

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----Original Message-----

From: Webmaster

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 3:33 PM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FW: My contact

----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 3:03 PM

To: Webmaster

Cc: malachi32455@yahoo.com

Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: John Harrison

Company: N/A

Primary Phone: 850-836-5400

Secondary Phone:

Email: malachi32455@yahoo.com

Response requested? Yes

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

I disagree with Gulf power asking for a rate increase, if the Fed. Gov. passed new regulations's. then they should provide a grant to assist the power co.to meet their new guide line's. I know that they hire Lobbist to SWAY& politian"sto

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influence your decision, but you were put their to SERVE the people, and when you stand before god, who will be your

Shawna Senko

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 10:34 AM

To:

'Jo Mantz'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

RE: Docket #130140-EI

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cc: Commission Clerk

From: Jo Mantz [mailto:jmantz@baycountyfl.gov] Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 10:49 AM

To: Consumer Contact **Subject:** Docket #130140-El

There is a meeting at the Edgewater Beach Conference Center today, 9/4/13, at 10 a.m.. For those of us who work and cannot just take off, this time of the day is prohibitive to those of us who would like to attend. I have no problem with Gulf Power having an increase IF that increase was used for what it should be used for. I live in a community where if we have a strong wind blow through our power goes out. Some of the old people who live around me and have lived in the area 50+ years have made the statement "if a squirrel farts too near the power lines, the power goes off." I almost believe it. We have been through a number of storms and the best Gulf Power EVER did was put a band-aide on it. These increases will NOT help the working people of Northwest Florida who have no alternative but to use Gulf Power. The majority will be used for administrative pay increases and bonuses and the remainder MIGHT be used to make a couple of minor improvements. In the 30+ years I've lived in Panama City, Florida, I have been through and worked through hurricanes and tropical storms. I worked at the county Emergency Operations Center. There have been companies come in from other states to help Gulf Power through the disasters the storms have left behind and they have been baffled and amazed at how old the lines are and the materials that are still in use on these poles and lines and wonder how it is still working. Over 30 years Gulf Power is going to try to tell me that improvements couldn't have already been made? There are still glass insulators and old lines that have been there for over 50 years!

I sincerely hope that the Florida Public Service Commission takes a serious and careful look at Gulf Power and the requests for increases that they are making. It doesn't appear to the average consumer that much has been done over the last 50 years and it isn't expected any serious improvements will be done for the next 50.

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Shawna Senko

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 10:33 AM

To:

Dirgis3@aol.com

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: Gulf Power Rationale for Raising Rates

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From: <u>Dirgis3@aol.com</u> [mailto:Dirgis3@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, September 02, 2013 12:14 PM

To: Consumer Contact **Cc:** dirgis3@aol.com

Subject: Gulf Power Rationale for Raising Rates

As one of the reasons to raise the cost of electricity to consumers and noted on the Notice to Customers I received recently:

4th paragraph Cost of new equipment and labor to comply with federal regulations: new transmission line construction.

This should be a *temporary* rise in any Gulf Power fees not to exceed, say, 2 years to comply with new Federal regulations.

Sigrid Benson 1514 Mariner's Circle Gulf Breeze, FL 32563-2988

Shawna Senko

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 10:32 AM

To:

'Joseph Campagna'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

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From: Joseph Campagna [mailto:fostercamp@hotmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, September 01, 2013 4:23 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Residential customer Response to power price increase

To FPSC,

Please don't increase electric rates again , In fact rates should decrease by 2% by using cheaper natural gas contracts and letting new Gulf power customers pay for the new transmission lines to their homes and business locations. This is all new business revenue for the company and a plus not negative. As the single electric (read monopoly) provider comes a special responsibility to keep cost as low as possible to the consumers, especially in this economy.

As a retired citizen living on S.S. in 100, sf. home using approx 100, KW h is costing over two hundred dollars this month to keep my temperature at 77 to 78 degrees.

Yes, I have made all the necessary efficiency improvements and budget cutbacks as suggested by Gulf power. Have you ???

I'm happy that,

Gulf power is one of Florida biggest land owners with impressive reserves and resources
Please review your policies and include research and development for technologies to cut waste and deliver the best possible service at the lowest possible cost.

The dollars you saved this year with the "smart meters" should alone saves us plenty.

Thanking you in advance

Regards Foster Camp

www.communitybankdestin.com

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NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

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On July 12, 2013, Gulf Power Company filed with the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) a request for approval to increase the Company's annual retail revenues. Currently, Gulf Power's total residential price (base rate plus all clause rates) is lower than it was in 2009. Gulf Power's proposed base rate request, if approved, would increase the total bill in April 2014 for a residential customer buying 1,000 kilowatt-hours by \$8.94 per month or 7.5 percent — from \$118.88 to \$127.82. The company is requesting an additional increase in 2015 for transmission investments caused by mandatory federal environmental compliance requirements.

This filing has been assigned Docket No. 130140-EI by the FPSC. The Office of Public Counsel (OPC) has intervened in this Docket. The duty of the OPC is to provide legal representation for the people of the state in proceedings before the commission. OPC representatives may be contacted prior to the hearing at 111 West Madison St., Room 812, Tallahassee FL 32399-1400, or by phone at 1-800-342-0222.

Gulf Power is investing in customers and communities through the largest power grid construction program in its history. Major investments have been made to maintain our electric system, to strengthen our existing infrastructure and to add new transmission lines.

Part of the new transmission line construction is to help the company comply with new federal environmental regulations that will change the way we operate our plants and will require plants to be shut down at regular intervals. The new lines and equipment will be used to ensure voltage stability and reliable power flow.

From 2012 through 2015, we are investing \$750 million dollars on maintenance, improvements and key transmission projects. These improvements are necessary to continue to provide reliable service to customers.

The present rates will remain in effect until new rates become operative under Florida Law. Copies of the rate case filing, including proposed rate schedules, are available for inspection at your local Gulf Power office.

Company personnel are available at all Gulf Power offices to answer questions concerning this request. They may be contacted at the address or telephone number on your electricity bill, at GulfPower.com or through a local directory.

A copy of the Minimum Filing Requirements (MFRs) and a summary or synopsis of our rate request can be found at www.gulfpower.com/filing. Additionally, these documents are available for review during normal business hours at the following public libraries:

City of Fort Walton Beach Public Library 185 Miracle Strip Pkwy. SW Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548 West Florida Regional Library 200 W Gregory St. Pensacola, FL 32502

Northwest Florida Regional Library 898 W 11th St. Panama City, FL 32401

The Florida Public Service Commission will hold two public customer service hearings. The purpose of the hearings is to allow members of the public to give testimony regarding the proposed rates and the quality of service provided by Gulf Power Company.

The hearings are scheduled as follows: Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 4 p.m. CST Pensacola State College, Hagler Auditorium 1000 College Blvd., Pensacola, FL 32504 (Note: Hagler Auditorium is at the corner of Underwood Avenue and Ninth Avenue.)

Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 10 a.m. CST Edgewater Beach Conference Center 11212 Front Beach Rd. Panama City Beach, FL 32407 Persons who wish to present testimony are urged to appear at the beginning of the hearings. If no witnesses are present to testify at that time, the hearings may be adjourned early.

The rate case hearings are scheduled to be held in Tallahassee on Dec. 9 - 13, 2013.

For your information, we are providing contact information for the Florida Public Service Commission's Consumer Affairs Department.

Consumer Affairs Department Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 1-800-342-3552 The FPSC will also accept faxes and emails.

Fax number: 1-800-511-0809

Email address: contact@psc.state.fl.us

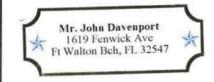
Current and proposed Rates

Rate Class	kW	kWh	Present Rate	2014 Proposed Rate
RS		1,000	\$118.88	\$127.82
GS		1,500	\$181.69	\$191.17
GSD	25	11,000	\$1,007.54	\$1,055.63
GSD	50	11,000	\$1,160.10	\$1,231.02
LP	500	288,000	\$23,713.83	\$25,421.48
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Above prices include gross receipts tax.

Service Fees

Name	Present Charge	Proposed Charge
Connection of Initial Service – Residential	\$27.00	\$27.00
Connection of Initial Service – Non-Residential	\$27.00	\$50.00
Connection of Existing Service – Residential	\$27.00	\$27.00
Connection of Existing Service – Non-Residential	\$27.00	\$50.00
Restoration of Service (After Violation of Rules)	\$35.00	\$60.00
Restoration of Service After Hours (After Violation of Rules)	\$55.00	\$80.00
Restoration of Service at Pole (After Violation of Rules)	\$95.00	\$100.00
Premise Visit	\$20.00	\$30.00
Connection of Temporary Service	\$110.00	\$110.00
Investigation of Unauthorized Use	\$75.00	\$75.00
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Returned Item Charge >\$50 and < \$300	\$30.00	\$30.00
Returned Item Charge >\$300	\$40.00	\$40.00





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SEP 17, 2013 - 11:04 AM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

il write today in opposition to the proposed Duly Power rate increase. after all, the "base rate" that is changed to every customer was increased not too long ago, it went from \$10/month to \$15/month. One would think this increase would have provided quiet a windfall. Did this not go to exactly the same things mentioned as justification for this newly proposed rate increase? of not, why? The present rates are already a Challenge for far two many ... even after they have done all they can to reduce consumption ... and there is no choice - no price competition. Ever increasing nates are simply not sustainable - and they surely do damage to quality of life issued. Linother point - when business nates are increased - this is just passed down to the sustomers - the same ones already struggling to pay their bills. So, I verite in opposition to All rate increases - business tresidential. (Sorry, I do not presently have access to e-mail. Hope this letter will do.) Thank you,

850-797-470

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Ann Cole Commission Clerk 2540 Shumard Oaks Boulevard Florida Public Service Commission Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 Petition for rate increase by

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Sammy Lay

Lynn 1 tower PC, 32444

Address

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Address 1207 East 9th.ct.

Panama City, Florida 32401

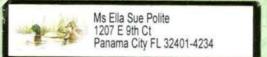
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PRE-APPENDED SEP 16, 2013 - 10:22 AM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Shawna Senko

From:

Ruth McHarque

Sent:

Friday, September 13, 2013 9:20 AM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Cc: Subject: Diane Hood; Bev DeMello FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Friday, September 13, 2013 8:27 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140

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From: Helen Wilcox [mailto:brendaandhelen11@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 5:00 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Proposed rate hike by Gulf Power

Hello:

I am a retired widow and on a very stick budget. I already have a budget plan with Gulf Power and cannot afford to have my rates increased.

Thank you for your consideration.

Helen Wilcox

PRE-APPENDED SEP 12, 2013 - 11:31 AM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Petition for rate increase by

Gulf Power Company

DOCKET NO. 130140-EI

Name Lyons, GWENdolyN

Address 740 W. Jordan St.
Pensacola, Florida 3250/

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Shawna Senko

From:

Dorothy Menasco

Sent:

Thursday, September 12, 2013 4:41 PM

To:

Crystal Card; Shawna Senko

Subject:

FW: Federal Executive Agencies' 1st Set of interrogatories

To be placed in parties correspondence. Thank you!

From: Filings@psc.state.fl.us

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 4:37 PM
To: 'PAYTON, EBONY M CTR USAF AFCEC AFCEC/CN'

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Petition for rate increase by

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DOCKET NO. 130140-EI

Name Willa W. Stallworth Address 2070 North Spring St. Gensseala, 76. 32501

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PRF-APPENDED

Florida Public Service Commission Ath: Ann Cole 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Docket No. 130140-El

Gulf Power Company Increase

Dear Ms. Cole

We strongly oppose another increase for GULF POWER COMPANY. We have experienced far too many power outages/surges over the past several years for no apparent reason (no inclement weather or accidents). Documentation has been proved to our local representatives to no avail. We are concerned with the affect these outages/surges have on our appliances, HVAC units and electronics, not to mention the nuisance of frequently re-setting clocks throughout the house.

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Many of us have lived in other areas of the State or other States and have not experienced such deplorable service. We are requesting that GULF POWER COMPANY incur the cost of providing adequate/quality service before they request another increase to consumers.

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From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, September 05, 2013 4:04 PM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: docket 130140

For the file.

----Original Message----

From: Bev DeMello

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 3:57 PM

To: 'keegans56@yahoo.com' Subject: FW: docket 130140

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

Dear Ms. Keegans:

Thank you for your recent e-mail to the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC). To give Commissioners and staff an opportunity to review and understand your concerns about the rate increase petition filed by Gulf Power Company (Gulf), I have placed your e-mail on the correspondence side of the docket file.

The PSC encourages customer participation and recently held customer service hearings in Gulf's service territory. All customer comments during the hearings and customer correspondence, including yours, will be reviewed and considered when PSC staff prepares its recommendation to the Commissioners on Gulf's proposed rates.

Gulf's rate case hearing before the PSC will be in Tallahassee. Witnesses from the utility, the Commission staff, and the Office of Public Counsel will present testimony, introduce exhibits, and be cross-examined before the Commissioners. Commissioners will review Gulf's need for a rate increase, its existing and proposed rate structure, and its ability to provide safe and reliable service.

After the rate case hearing dates are scheduled, you can find them on the Commission Calendar at: http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/pdf/calendar.pdf, and you can view the hearing at the following link: http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/audiovideo/index.aspx.

PSC hearings and events are archived and available for three months following their conclusion and can be viewed at: http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/audiovideo/archives/.

Commissioners are charged with making sure that Florida's utility companies, including Gulf, fulfill their service obligation. In its petition to the PSC, Gulf said its rate adjustment is needed, in part, because, "Gulf has continued to invest heavily, particularly in transmission assets...and the associated increase in rate base has outpaced relatively flat sales and customer growth." The PSC will ensure that final customer rates reflect only those costs that are prudent and necessary for Gulf to deliver quality electric service to your home or business.

Thank you again for your correspondence, and if you have additional questions or need further assistance, please call our toll-free number, 1-800-342-3552. If you want updated case information, visit the PSC's

website, www.floridapsc.com; look for the Clerk's Office tab, then hit Dockets, and type in the Gulf case number 130140-EI.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello Assistant Director 850-413-6107

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cc: Commission Clerk

-----Original Message-----From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 2:19 PM

To: Bev DeMello

Subject: FW: docket 130140

----Original Message-----From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 2:18 PM

To: Consumer Correspondence

Cc: Diane Hood

Subject: docket 130140

Customer correspondence
----Original Message---From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 8:52 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: Please review and advise

----Original Message-----From: Benjamin Legaspi

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 8:44 AM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FW: My contact ----Original Message----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 6:26 PM

To: Webmaster

Cc: keegans56@yahoo.com

Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: Joy Keegans

Company:

Primary Phone: 8506384479 Secondary Phone: 8506384479 Email: keegans56@yahoo.com

Response requested? Yes

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

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Shawna Senko

From:

Ruth McHarque

Sent:

Monday, September 09, 2013 11:24 AM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Cc: Subject: Bev DeMello; Diane Hood FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

----Original Message----From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 11:09 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140

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----Original Message----

From: Webmaster

Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 10:19 AM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FW: My contact

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From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Sunday, September 08, 2013 6:41 PM

To: Webmaster

Cc: dejlr75@mail.comg Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: Janet Roach

Company:

Primary Phone: 3343336207

Secondary Phone:

Email: dejlr75@mail.comg

Response requested? No

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

I wish to comment on Gulf powers request for their 7.5% rate hike for 2014 and another increase of 1.5% in 2015. My husband and myself are on a fixed income. We cannot afford to pay for Gulf power to up keep their equipment. When you own a business that is part of the business cost. I think you should not approve their request.

PRE-APPENDED SEP 09, 2013 - 11:04 AM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Petition for rate increase by

Gulf Power Company

DOCKET NO. 130140-EI

Name	JAMES R. WILLIAMS
Address	4304 MISTY LANE
	LYNN HAVEN, FL 32444

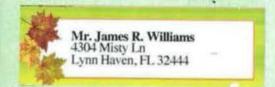
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PRE-APPENDED SEP 05, 2013 - 4:59 PM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Shawna Senko

From:

Pamela Paultre

Sent:

Thursday, September 05, 2013 4:56 PM

To:

Commissioner Correspondence

Subject:

Docket no. 130140

Attachments:

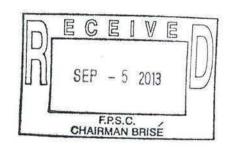
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Good afternoon,

Please place the forwarded or enclosed correspondence in Docket Correspondence of Consumers and their representatives for the aforementioned docket.

Thank you,

Pamela Paultre Assistant to Chairman Ronald Brisé Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399 (850) 413-6036 Sonja C. Pride 515 N.E. First Street High Springs, FL 32643 spride1@windstream.net



September 1, 2013

Ronald A. Brise', Chairman Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Tallahassee, GFL 32399-0850

Dear Sir:

It was with much disappointment this morning that I read in the Gainesville Sun that Duke Energy is applying for a 7% rate increase which will amount to about \$8.24 per household.

It was not enough that the company took money from us with the aim being to build a new nuclear plant in Levy County, but when they abandoned the plan they said the money would not be refunded..... they were able to take from the customer money for future use, then decide to keep it. And now they want us to pay 7% more. I noted in the Orlando Sentinel that Duke is rated the lowest in the southeastern United States for customer satisfaction. Perhaps they should look at company salaries.

I am 75 years old, a widow, I live in my own home and on limited income. Food is more expensive so I buy less meat and eat less. I turn off lights to conserve energy and try to keep my power bill low. I'm doing all I can to exist with what I have and I now ask you to either deny completely the increase requested by Duke Energy (preferably) or greatly reduce it to 4% or less. I understand the high cost of energy, but I better understand my ability to pay.

Thank you for your attention to my letter and your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sonja C. Pride

Tampa Bay Times

Duke Energy, Tampa Electric at bottom of J.D. Power survey



Robert Trigaux, Times Business Columnist

Friday, August 30, 2013 3:46pm

Three big electric utilities serve Floridians from Miami to Tampa Bay to Orlando and Tallahassee. Similar service territories. Yet their customer satisfaction ratings could not be further apart.

What gives?

Duke Energy Florida suffers the worst residential customer satisfaction of any big electric utility in the southeastern United States.

Tampa Electric is barely better.

Together, the two utilities that provide the bulk of electric power to the greater Tampa Bay area sit at the bottom of the barrel in the Southeast in J.D. Power's annual survey of residential customer satisfaction.

Aren't we lucky?

But drive south over the Skyway bridge into Manatee County. Welcome to the service territory of Florida Power & Light, where customer satisfaction ranks tops in Florida and second in the entire Southeast among big power providers.

"Those companies at the top excel in customer satisfaction, while those at the bottom have things they need to focus on in order to get better," says John Hazen, a J.D. Power senior director, who tracks the ups and downs of utilities.

Hazen's a polite guy. Let me be blunt.

Granted, few folks love their electric utility. In heat-smacked Florida, monthly utility bills feel too high no matter what.

Yet most FPL customers feel they are getting fair value and good reliability and service in the electricity they purchase. Hence the high satisfaction ratings, J.D. Power experts explain.

On the flip side, the survey shows most Floridians served by Duke Energy and Tampa Electric don't see nearly as good value in their higher-priced electricity and the lesser service that goes with it.

This would not grate my cheese so much if these ratings did not persist year after year. If the two area utilities really want to improve, and they insist they do, then why are they perennially ranked so poorly?

And why isn't the state regulator — the Florida Public Service Commission — holding their feet to the fire to be better? (Let's pause, so readers can laugh at the PSC's infamously weak oversight.)

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Ruth McHargue

Sent:

Thursday, September 05, 2013 4:04 PM

To: Cc: Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

Bev DeMello; Diane Hood FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

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Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 3:40 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140- Response requested

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From: Webmaster

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 3:33 PM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FW: My contact

----Original Message-----

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us [mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 3:03 PM

To: Webmaster

Cc: malachi32455@yahoo.com

Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information: Name: John Harrison Company: N/A

edinpuny. Ny

Primary Phone: 850-836-5400

Secondary Phone:

Email: malachi32455@yahoo.com

Response requested? Yes

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

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Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, September 05, 2013 4:03 PM

To:

'Dirgis3@aol.com'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: Gulf Power Rationale for Raising Rates

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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Sincerely,

Bev DeMello

Assistant Director 850-413-6107

BSD/bsd

cc: Commission Clerk

From: Dirgis3@aol.com [mailto:Dirgis3@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, September 02, 2013 12:14 PM

To: Consumer Contact Cc: dirgis3@aol.com

Subject: Gulf Power Rationale for Raising Rates

As one of the reasons to raise the cost of electricity to consumers and noted on the Notice to Customers I received recently:

4th paragraph Cost of new equipment and labor to comply with federal regulations: new transmission line construction.

This should be a *temporary* rise in any Gulf Power fees not to exceed, say, 2 years to comply with new Federal regulations.

Sigrid Benson 1514 Mariner's Circle Gulf Breeze, FL 32563-2988

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, September 05, 2013 4:01 PM

To: Cc: 'jngcampers@bellsouth.net' Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: Gulf Power's request for a rate increase

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Bev DeMello Assistant Director BSD/bsd

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From: John/Gale [mailto:jngcampers@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 11:04 AM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Gulf Power's request for a rate increase

To Whom It May Concern:

I find it very coincidental that Gulf Power is asking for an increase, again, one that could increase our residential power bill by \$9.00 per 1,000 kwt. per month......This is a substantial increase as they received an increase on the **base** rate just a short time ago......This increase is NOT just a couple of dollars now, but about \$9.00 or more increase......This is a bit much......(especially since seniors are on fixed incomes and there are still many without jobs today.......Bad timing I would say.......All for expanding and updating their services!!!! That was what they said a short time ago when they wanted an increase in the base and they received it..Now its on the rate per wattage. Should we continue to allow these increases so often???...NO!

Can this increase have anything to do with passing on to the consumers the increase in medical care for its employees since Obamacare is affecting many companies????

Furthermore,

Gulf Power has us over a barrel as they have no competition.....We have to rely on our duly -elected public service commission members to represent us, the consumer...Please help us and reject such a huge increase.

Thank you for listening.

Gale McGirr, senior citizen, Milton, FL jngcampers@bellsouth.net

ps. We, already, are seeing rising fuel prices, food & clothing prices.....and now this. This is the wrong time for Gulf Power to request such a increase.

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, September 05, 2013 4:00 PM

To:

'jmantz@baycountyfl.gov'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: Docket #130140-EI

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

Dear Jo Mantz:

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Sincerely,

Assistant Director

Direct Line: 850-413-6107

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cc: Commission Clerk

From: Jo Mantz [mailto:jmantz@baycountyfl.gov] Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 10:49 AM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: Docket #130140-El

There is a meeting at the Edgewater Beach Conference Center today, 9/4/13, at 10 a.m.. For those of us who work and cannot just take off, this time of the day is prohibitive to those of us who would like to attend. I have no problem with Gulf Power having an increase IF that increase was used for what it should be used for. I live in a community where if we have a strong wind blow through our power goes out. Some of the old people who live around me and have lived in the area 50+ years have made the statement "if a squirrel farts too near the power lines, the power goes off." I almost believe it. We have been through a number of storms and the best Gulf Power EVER did was put a band-aide on it. These increases will NOT help the working people of Northwest Florida who have no alternative but to use Gulf Power. The majority will be used for administrative pay increases and bonuses and the remainder MIGHT be used to make a couple of minor improvements. In the 30+ years I've lived in Panama City, Florida, I have been through and worked through hurricanes and tropical storms. I worked at the county Emergency Operations Center. There have been companies come in from other states to help Gulf Power through the disasters the storms have left behind and they have been baffled and amazed at how old the lines are and the materials that are still in use on these poles and lines and wonder how it is still working. Over 30 years Gulf Power is going to try to tell me that improvements couldn't have already been made? There are still glass insulators and old lines that have been there for over 50 years!

I sincerely hope that the Florida Public Service Commission takes a serious and careful look at Gulf Power and the requests for increases that they are making. It doesn't appear to the average consumer that much has been done over the last 50 years and it isn't expected any serious improvements will be done for the next 50.

Jo Mantz

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From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, September 05, 2013 3:58 PM

To: Cc: 'fostercamp@hotmail.com' Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: Residential customer Response to power price increase/Gulf

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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cc: Commission Clerk

From: Joseph Campagna [mailto:fostercamp@hotmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, September 01, 2013 4:23 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Residential customer Response to power price increase

To FPSC,

Please don't increase electric rates again, In fact rates should decrease by 2% by using cheaper natural gas contracts and letting new Gulf power customers pay for the new transmission lines to their homes and business locations. This is all new business revenue for the company and a plus not negative. As the single electric (read monopoly) provider comes a special responsibility to keep cost as low as possible to the consumers, especially in this economy.

As a retired citizen living on S.S. in 100, sf. home using approx 100, KW h is costing over two hundred dollars this month to keep my temperature at 77 to 78 degrees.

Yes, I have made all the necessary efficiency improvements and budget cutbacks as suggested by Gulf power. Have you ???

I'm happy that,

Gulf power is one of Florida biggest land owners with impressive reserves and resources
Please review your policies and include research and development for technologies to cut waste and deliver the
best possible service at the lowest possible cost.

The dollars you saved this year with the "smart meters" should alone saves us plenty.

Thanking you in advance

Regards Foster Camp

From:

Ruth McHargue

Sent:

Thursday, September 05, 2013 2:18 PM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Cc:

Diane Hood

Subject:

docket 130140

Customer correspondence
----Original Message---From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 8:52 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: Please review and advise

----Original Message-----From: Benjamin Legaspi

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 8:44 AM

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Cc: keegans56@yahoo.com

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Company:

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Diane Hood

Subject:

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Attachments:

Residential customer Response to power price increase; Gulf Power Rationale for

Raising Rates; Docket #130140-El; Gulf Power's request for a rate increase

Customer correspondence

From: Diane Hood

Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 9:43 AM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140

These have been added as info request to docket 130140, EI804, PR-69. DH

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, September 05, 2013 1:50 PM

To: Cc:

'marilynrector@aol.com'

Subject:

Consumer Correspondence

re: To CLK Docket 130140

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Sincerely,

Bey DeMello

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cc: Commission Clerk

From: Ruth McHarque

Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 4:31 PM

To: Consumer Correspondence **Cc:** Bev DeMello; Diane Hood

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 3:59 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

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From: marilynrector@aol.com [mailto:marilynrector@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 3:31 PM

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Thank you, Marilyn Rector 850-725-1853

From:

Joseph Campagna <fostercamp@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, September 01, 2013 4:23 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

Residential customer Response to power price increase

To FPSC,

Please don't increase electric rates again , In fact rates should decrease by 2% by using cheaper natural gas contracts and letting new Gulf power customers pay for the new transmission lines to their homes and business locations. This is all new business revenue for the company and a plus not negative. As the single electric (read monopoly) provider comes a special responsibility to keep cost as low as possible to the consumers, especially in this economy.

As a retired citizen living on S.S. in 100, sf. home using approx 100, KW h is costing over two hundred dollars this month to keep my temperature at 77 to 78 degrees.

Yes, I have made all the necessary efficiency improvements and budget cutbacks as suggested by Gulf power. Have you ???

I'm happy that,

Gulf power is one of Florida biggest land owners with impressive reserves and resources

Please review your policies and include research and development for technologies to cut waste and deliver the best possible service at the lowest possible cost.

The dollars you saved this year with the "smart meters" should alone saves us plenty.

Thanking you in advance

Regards Foster Camp

From:

Dirgis3@aol.com

Sent:

Monday, September 02, 2013 12:14 PM

To: Cc: Consumer Contact

CC:

dirgis3@aol.com

Subject:

Gulf Power Rationale for Raising Rates

As one of the reasons to raise the cost of electricity to consumers and noted on the Notice to Customers I received recently:

4th paragraph Cost of new equipment and labor to comply with federal regulations: new transmission line construction.

This should be a *temporary* rise in any Gulf Power fees not to exceed, say, 2 years to comply with new Federal regulations.

Sigrid Benson 1514 Mariner's Circle Gulf Breeze, FL 32563-2988

From:

Jo Mantz < imantz@baycountyfl.gov>

Sent:

Wednesday, September 04, 2013 10:49 AM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

Docket #130140-El

There is a meeting at the Edgewater Beach Conference Center today, 9/4/13, at 10 a.m.. For those of us who work and cannot just take off, this time of the day is prohibitive to those of us who would like to attend. I have no problem with Gulf Power having an increase IF that increase was used for what it should be used for. I live in a community where if we have a strong wind blow through our power goes out. Some of the old people who live around me and have lived in the area 50+ years have made the statement "if a squirrel farts too near the power lines, the power goes off." I almost believe it. We have been through a number of storms and the best Gulf Power EVER did was put a band-aide on it. These increases will NOT help the working people of Northwest Florida who have no alternative but to use Gulf Power. The majority will be used for administrative pay increases and bonuses and the remainder MIGHT be used to make a couple of minor improvements. In the 30+ years I've lived in Panama City, Florida, I have been through and worked through hurricanes and tropical storms. I worked at the county Emergency Operations Center. There have been companies come in from other states to help Gulf Power through the disasters the storms have left behind and they have been baffled and amazed at how old the lines are and the materials that are still in use on these poles and lines and wonder how it is still working. Over 30 years Gulf Power is going to try to tell me that improvements couldn't have already been made? There are still glass insulators and old lines that have been there for over 50 years!

I sincerely hope that the Florida Public Service Commission takes a serious and careful look at Gulf Power and the requests for increases that they are making. It doesn't appear to the average consumer that much has been done over the last 50 years and it isn't expected any serious improvements will be done for the next 50.

To Mantz

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From:

John/Gale <ingcampers@bellsouth.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, September 04, 2013 11:04 AM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

Gulf Power's request for a rate increase

To Whom It May Concern:

I find it very coincidental that Gulf Power is asking for an increase, again, one that could increase our residential power bill by \$9.00 per 1,000 kwt. per month......This is a substantial increase as they received an increase on the *base* rate just a short time ago......This increase is NOT just a couple of dollars now, but about \$9.00 or more increase......This is a bit much......(especially since seniors are on fixed incomes and there are still many without jobs today.......Bad timing I would say.......All for expanding and updating their services!!!! That was what they said a short time ago when they wanted an increase in the base and they received it..Now its on the rate per wattage. Should we continue to allow these increases so often???...NO!

Can this increase have anything to do with passing on to the consumers the increase in medical care for its employees since Obamacare is affecting many companies????

Furthermore.

Gulf Power has us over a barrel as they have no competition.....We have to rely on our duly -elected public service commission members to represent us, the consumer...Please help us and reject such a huge increase.

Thank you for listening,

Gale McGirr, senior citizen, Milton, FL ingcampers@bellsouth.net

ps. We, already, are seeing rising fuel prices, food & clothing prices.....and now this. This is the wrong time for Gulf Power to request such a increase.

PRE-APPENDED SEP 04, 2013 - 4:41 PM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Shawna Senko

From:

Ruth McHargue

Sent:

Wednesday, September 04, 2013 4:31 PM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Cc: Subject: Bev DeMello; Diane Hood FW: To CLK Docket 130140

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PRE-APPENDED AUG 30, 2013 - 2:51 PM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

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From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Friday, August 30, 2013 1:14 PM

To:

'kdwm@hotmail.com'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

re: To CLK Docket 130140

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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Bev DeMello Assistant Director 850-413-6107

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Sent: Friday, August 30, 2013 9:19 AM

To: Consumer Correspondence **Cc:** Bev DeMello; Diane Hood

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 4:01 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140

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From: harold morton [mailto:kdwm@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 3:46 PM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: Rate Hike Objection

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Shawna Senko 2 8/30/2013 2:46 PM

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From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, August 29, 2013 2:41 PM

To:

'John Hamm'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence; Marshall Willis; Cheryl Bulecza-Banks

Subject:

RE: To CLK Docket 130140

Dear Mr. Hamm:

Thank you for you additional observations/information, which will also be included in the docket correspondence available to Commissioners and staff.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello

From: John Hamm [mailto:jmhamm@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 2:36 PM

To: Bev DeMello

Cc: Consumer Correspondence Subject: RE: To CLK Docket 130140

Dear Ms. DeMello,

Thank you for your time and the courtesy of replying to my concern about Gulf Power's rate increase request. I realize that you receive many inquiries.

As a part of my submittal to the review, I would like to re-emphasize to the commission that Gulf Power management should be required to prove that they have held all controllable operating expenses "in check" in light of the flat consumer growth that you mention.

As a senior level executive who has managed similar large budgets, staffs, networks/upgrades and businesses, I would hope that Mr. Connally and his team are required to prove that they have maintained staffing levels during these challenging economic times, held back on bonuses and raises (as other public companies are having to do that in the panhandle area.), renegotiated existing supplier contracts to reflect the new market changes, prove that existing budgeted projects were managed well, on-time and within previous funding approvals, etc.

I am quite confident that Gulf Power management can find the 7.5% internally (as most private businesses and individual families often have to do); however, it is more likely that the easy and least painful path is to seek PSC support as opposed to making changes to adapt their organization and business practices internally.

I am more than willing to discuss my concerns with any member of the PSC personally and even willing to drive to Tallahassee to do so if needed. I am also more than willing to assist in any way possible to review the details of their request "free of charge" to the commission. Again, based on my experience, Gulf Power can find a way to manage through this internally....other businesses do just that.

Again, thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, John Hamm Pensacola

From: Bev DeMello [mailto:BDeMello@PSC.STATE.FL.US]

Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 10:05 AM

To: jmhamm@bellsouth.net
Cc: Consumer Correspondence
Subject: RE: To CLK Docket 130140

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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Bev DeMello Assistant Director 850-413-6107

8/29/2013 4:00 PM

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cc: Commission Clerk

From: Ruth McHarque

Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 5:16 PM

To: Consumer Correspondence Cc: Bev DeMello; Diane Hood

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 4:15 PM

To: Ruth McHarque

Subject: To CLK Docket 130140

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From: John Hamm [mailto:jmhamm@bellsouth.net] Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:13 AM

To: Consumer Contact

Cc: ierogers@southernco.com

Subject: Gulf Power Rate Increase Request

As a customer of Gulf Power in Pensacola, Florida I just received notice of their 7.5% rate increase request.

The executive leadership of Gulf Power has given no real justification for their requiring this increase. As is well known in the private sector, most "non-public" businesses cannot run to tax payers or the PSC to fix internal operational and network inefficiencies. They must look internally "first" to manage business costs in this current economy.

As an 35 year senior level executive and Board member of several companies, I cannot simply ask my investors/shareholders or my customers for funding without first "PROVING" that I have taken advantage of all internal cost efficiencies. Gulf Power management certainly has not done that here.

Simply put, this rate increase is the easy way out for the Gulf Power management team. Managing a large entity like Gulf Power requires creativity and strategic thinking at the executive level, not excuses or taking the easiest solution all the time. This means taking a hard look internally and making the hard decisions to streamline the organization, reduce internal redundancies, review/re-negotiate existing supplier contracts, minimize staffing levels where possible, etc.

Already, the cost of my personal electric bill from Gulf Power in Florida is twice what my electric bill has been in Georgia (which is provided by Southern Company service also.) Sadly, the home in Florida is 25% of the size of what I have in Georgia! How can that be?

Bottom-line, the Gulf Power executive team make a lot of money and are paid well to make those hard decisions. Mr. Connally and his staff must look internally before placing their managerial and operational cost problems on the general public. That includes long-range planning for network upgrades over time which apparently has not been done by this Gulf Power management team. (Although, I would be shocked if the PSC reviewed previous Gulf Power budgets that funding for network upgrades/repairs had not already been included in those previous funding PSC requests).

I am quite sure that there are other third party executives in Florida who are skilled enough to help the Gulf Power executive team review their business operations and to better manage their internal resources, staffing and suppliers to make up this proposed 7.5% increase....before placing this burden on customers who have no choice in the matter.

John Hamm Pensacola, Florida

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, August 29, 2013 10:21 AM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: FPSC , 1 page(s)

Attachments:

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For the Gulf Power Rate Case File. To note, this FAX has no identifying name or address.

Thank you,

Bev DeMello

----Original Message-----

From: PSC Fax Server [mailto:Fax@psc.state.fl.us]

Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2013 2:43 PM

To: Consumer Contact Subject: FPSC, 1 page(s)

You have received a 1 page fax from FPSC ().

It was sent to 8504136362. The fax is attached to this email, open the attachment to view your fax.

^{*}New Fax Received!*

Persons who wish to present testimony are urged to appear at the beginning of the hearings. If no witnesses are present to testify at that time, the hearings may be adjourned early.

The rate case hearings are scheduled to be held in Tallahassee on Dec. 9 – 13, 2013.

For your information, we are providing contact information for the Florida Public Service Commission's Consumer Affairs Department.

Consumer Affairs Department Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 1-800-342-3552 The FPSC will also accept faxes and emails.

Fax number: 1-800-511-0809

Email address: contact@psc.state.fl.us

Current and proposed Rates

Rate Class	kW	kWh	Present Rate	2014 Proposed Rate
RS		1,000	\$118.88	\$127.82
GS		1,500	\$181.69	\$191.17
GSD	25	11,000	\$1,007.54	\$1,055.63
GSD	50	11,000	\$1,160.10	\$1,231.02
LP	500	288,000	\$23,713.83	\$25,421.48
LP	658	288,000	\$25,336.00	\$27,403.40
LP	1,315	288,000	\$32,081.32	\$35,644.69
LPT	5,000 Max	600,000 On	\$203,297.09	\$219,852.27
	5,000 On	1,800,000 Off		

Above prices include gross receipts tax.

Service Fees

Name	Present Charge	Proposed Charge
Connection of Initial Service – Residential	\$27.00	\$27.00
Connection of Initial Service - Non-Residential	\$27.00	\$50.00
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From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, August 29, 2013 10:18 AM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

FW: Rate increase from Gulf Power

For your records.

From: Bev DeMello

Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 10:06 AM

To: 'Judy Simms'

Subject: RE: Rate increase from Gulf Power

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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cc: Commission Clerk

From: Judy Simms [mailto:jmsfaith77@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 26, 2013 11:53 AM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Rate increase from Gulf Power

I received a letter from Gulf Power on their rate increase hearings. I OBJECT TO ANY INCREASE IN RATES.

I am a daily reader of the Pensacola News Journal and aware of Gulf Powers:

- 1. Ambititious expansion plans.
- 2. Earnings
- 3. Salaries paid to employees
- 4. Outlandishing spending during hurricanes
- 5. Employee practices.

Gulf Power is a for profit business that is focussed on profits not the reality of its customers and their ability to pay their OUTLANDISH fees and they are taking

advantage of the people.

Judy Simms

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, August 29, 2013 10:09 AM

To:

'phyl8@yahoo.com'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

RE: Gulf Power Rate increase

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

Dear Ms. Frameli

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BSD/bsd

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Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2013 11:08 AM

To: Consumer Contact

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POINTer #4554

PRE-APPENDED AUG 29, 2013 - 10:21 AM DOCUMENT NO. 04020-13

Shawna Senko

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, August 29, 2013 10:08 AM

To:

'Willa Stallworth'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

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RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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Sent from my iPad

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Bev DeMello

Sent:

Thursday, August 29, 2013 10:05 AM

To:

'jmhamm@bellsouth.net'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

RE: To CLK Docket 130140

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

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Cc: jerogers@southernco.com

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Attachments:

Rate increase from Gulf Power; Gulf Power Proposed Rate Increase; Gulf Power

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From:

Judy Simms <jmsfaith77@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, August 26, 2013 11:53 AM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

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I received a letter from Gulf Power on their rate increase hearings. I OBJECT TO ANY INCREASE IN RATES.

I am a daily reader of the Pensacola News Journal and aware of Gulf Powers:

- 1. Ambititious expansion plans.
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POINTer #4554

From:

PSC Fax Server <Fax@psc.state.fl.us>

Sent:

Tuesday, August 27, 2013 2:43 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject: Attachments: FPSC , 1 page(s) FAX-2013-08-27 14_43_21.tif

You have received a 1 page fax from FPSC ().

It was sent to 8504136362. The fax is attached to this email, open the attachment to view your fax.

^{*}New Fax Received!*

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Monday, August 26, 2013 4:23 PM

To:

'Stephen Dampier'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

RE: Opposition to Gulf Power Requested Rate Increase

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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Sent: Saturday, August 24, 2013 6:12 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Opposition to Gulf Power Requested Rate Increase

PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED LETTER.

M. STEPHEN DAMPIER THE DAMPIER LAW FIRM, P.C. 55 N. SECTION STREET P. O. BOX 161 (36533) FAIRHOPE, AL 36532 (251) 929-0900 (251) 929-0800 FAX (251) 454-8263 CELL



From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Monday, August 26, 2013 4:24 PM

To:

'Michael B. Laven'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

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Sent: Sunday, August 25, 2013 9:04 AM

To: Consumer Contact

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Sent:

Monday, August 26, 2013 4:25 PM

To:

'Theresa'

Cc:

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Subject:

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RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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Shawna Senko

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Randy Roland

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To:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

To CLK Docket 130140

Attachments:

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Please add the attached customer correspondence to Docket 130140.

From:

Mark Clabaugh < mclabaugh@smartfacilitysoftware.com>

Sent:

Thursday, August 22, 2013 7:54 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Cc:

cbare@cityofpensacola.com

Subject:

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In opening, Thank you for the opportunity to voice my concern regarding this increase.

While I can understand increased costs, however, Gulf Power does not do anything in my opinion to control unnecessary expenses because they know they can always go back for additional moneys. I think that they should tighten their belt as I have to as a citizen.

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Mark Clabaugh 560 Tanglewood Drive Pensacola, FL 32503 Smart Facility Software PH: 850 232 6561

From:

Stephen Dampier <stevedampier@dampierlaw.com>

Sent:

Saturday, August 24, 2013 6:12 PM

To:

Consumer Contact

Subject:

Opposition to Gulf Power Requested Rate Increase

Attachments:

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PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED LETTER.

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Sent:

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Comment on Gulf Power Request for Rate Increase - Docket No. 130140-El

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Ann A. & Thomas O. Klomps 614 Poinsettia Court Panama City Beach, Florida 32413 – 2618

850 - 230 - 5003

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August 25, 2013

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Respectively,

Ann & Tom Klomps

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Sent:

Friday, August 23, 2013 9:51 AM

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Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2013 3:39 PM

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Edward Levitsky Mary Levitsky 3159 Cayuga Trail Milton, FL 32583

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI

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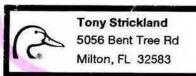
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Sent:

Friday, August 23, 2013 9:19 AM

To:

Consumer Correspondence

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Bev DeMello

Subject:

FW: To CLK Docket 130140

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Bureau of Consumer Assistance, Division of Safety, Reliability & Consumer

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To: Cc: 'joanconnell@mainstayfg.com' Consumer Correspondence

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Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 11:21 AM

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 5:05 PM

Ruth McHargue

To: Consumer Correspondence
Cc: Bev DeMello; Diane Hood
Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130140

Attachments: Gulf Power Rate Increase Hearing; Comments RE: Gulf Power requested rate increases;

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Prior to moving here, I lived in a city that lowered the property tax rate but increases the value of the taxable propery. Seems like Gulf Power is employing a similar logic. Consumers lower their consumption but the cost increases. Any noticable gain is quickly erased.

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From: Josh Lynch [mailto:lynchj333@gmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, August 17, 2013 8:22 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Proposed Gulf Power rate increases

To whom it may concern:

While I certainly appreciate being able to receive electricity to my home and the convenience s that it provides, I feel that the rates that are already associated with this utility are currently too expensive as they are. I try to be conservative with my power consumption and even with this self awareness my power bill is currently the most expensive bill I have and is second only to my mortgage payment. I completly understand the fact that these rates have not incressed in a few years, however, this shouldn't be something that increases every few years. The efficiency with which power is being produced is increasing every few years and in association with the new regulations that are imposed by regulatory agencies such as the EPA, these factors should just about even out. While I also understand that Gulf Power plans to do some much needed repairs to their systems, this may not be the most prudent time to do so due to the current economic conditions we find ourselves in. The financial situations of most families can not afford any kind of increases in out going expenses, including my own. Most of us find ourselves just barely scraping by to live our current lifestyles. I think the current rates should be sufficient to allow Gulf Power to make their necessary compliances and if this is not so they maybe they should consider some payouts to their corporate officers or investigate some other way to make the funds available for the necessary changes. Simply passing the buck to the consumer at this point should almost be considered cruel. I hope this reaches someone who will take the time read it and consider the point of view of common people like myself that is just trying to make it paycheck to paycheck and is simply glad to have a job. Thank you and God Bless.

Sincerely, William Lynch

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From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

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Bev DeMello Assistant Director 850-413-6107

BSD/bsd cc: Commission Clerk

From: nick libro [mailto:nicklibro@msn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 11:18 AM

To: Consumer Contact **Cc:** <u>nicklibro@msn.com</u>

Subject: Gulf Power Rate Increase Hearing

Hello,

I am a Gulf Power customer and am opposed to the rate increase. This 7.5% increase in residential rates doesn't make any sense in light of the effort by Gulf Power to encourage customers to reduce their electric usage. Gulf Power has provided incentives to purchase and use pool pumps, water heaters, HVAC systems, smart thermostats, etc. all in an effort to reduce costs. Now, when these devices are utilized and consumers see a significant reduction cost, Gulf Power applies to increase the rates.

Prior to moving here, I lived in a city that lowered the property tax rate but increases the value of the taxable propery. Seems like Gulf Power is employing a similar logic. Consumers lower their consumption but the cost increases. Any noticable gain is quickly erased.

Thank you, Nick Libro 1024 Adrian Way Milton FL 32583

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Tuesday, August 20, 2013 10:21 AM

To:

'gakesm@yahoo.com'

Cc:

Consumer Correspondence

Subject:

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To:

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Bev DeMello; Diane Hood

Subject: Attachments: FW: To CLK Docket 13040 FAX-2013-08-17 14 52 22.tif

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Gulf Power asks for rate hike

Company plans power grid construction program

By RANDAL YAKEY

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PANAMA CITY — Get ready for a boost in your electricity rates.

Gulf Power Co. has asked the Florida Public Service Commission to approve a two-step price increase in customer rates to help pay for the largest power grid construction program in the history of the company.

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Also, an existing transmission line between Highland City and Holmes Creek substations in the Panama City area are in need of upgrading, company officials said.

The company said the new lines and equipment also are needed to.

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The first increase would take effect April 2014, and would raise the total bill for a residential customer buying 1,000-kilowatt hours by \$8.94 per month or 7.5 percent — from the current price of \$118.88 to \$127.82, company officials reported.

The second step of the increase

— related to the new environmental

requirements — would not occur until 2015 and would raise the monthly bill an additional \$1.99, according to the company.

Connally cited aged, obsolete equipment and facilities that are at or beyond life cycle that must be upgraded and replaced.

A new 38-mile transmission line is being added that begins in the Pensacola area and goes to the Florida-Alabama state line. This project is necessary for mandatory federal environmental compliance, the company said.

Over the next three years, the company said it is building and replacing power lines and infrastructure connected to more than 430,000 customers in the Panhandle.



Here's what some folks on the Emerald Coast are thinking today:

The new Okaloosa County administrator wants to increase gas taxes and property taxes. I think it's already time for his marching papers. It's time to try something new like cutting the budget!

Having fees and taxes lower than other communities should be a matter of pride, not a reason to raise them.

I have decided to open my own business and would like everyone to give me the money to do so and then they can shop at my business and pay me even more for my merchandise. This is the same as Gulf Power getting a rate hike to build power lines to sell me power.

With all of the proposed tax increases around here, I would move if I had the ability.

How dare those 12 trees at Elliott Point Elementary School interfere with a parking lot and cars! I say down with all of the trees. Yes, get rid of all of them so we can have more concrete!

After a sewage spill, a press release is not enough. Signs need to go up as soon as possible at the contaminated sites.

I have a concealed weapons permit and own several firearms, but I think Zimmerman got away with murder. Prepare for the Wild West

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Spout Off

Here's what some folks on the Emerald Coast are thinking today:

The front page of the Tuesday paper was all about tax and rate increases. When will these people learn that we are fed up with increases? How about reducing taxes and rates?

How very depressing the headlines were in Tuesday's paper: County mulls tax increase. Gulf Power seeks rate hike. Ambulance fees to increase. Who can afford all these increases — especially those who have had pay cuts at our military bases and those of us on fixed incomes?

A new Okaloosa County administrator comes into town and proposes new and increased taxes. Not a good way to win friends and keep the job!

It is bad enough to raise property taxes, but to charge nearly \$1,000 plus \$15 a mile for a ride in an ambulance for a sick, elderly or dying accident victim sounds worse than any other tax to me.

The local governments are seeing what happens when you don't support local development in the area. Businesses pay

Eric Fryson

From:

Bev DeMello

Sent:

Wednesday, July 24, 2013 9:31 AM

To:

'mulleckhead@aol.com'

Cc: Subject: Consumer Correspondence FW: To CLK Docket 130140-EI

RE: Docket No. 130140-EI, Gulf Power Company Rate Petition

Dear Ms. Trainer:

Thank you for your recent e-mail to the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC). To give Commissioners and staff an opportunity to review and understand your concerns about the rate increase petition filed by Gulf Power Company (Gulf), I have placed your e-mail on the correspondence side of the docket file.

The PSC encourages customer participation and will hold customer service hearings in Gulf's service territory on September 3 (Pensacola) and September 4 (Panama City Beach). All customer comments during the hearings and customer correspondence, including yours, will be reviewed and considered when PSC staff prepares its recommendation to the Commissioners on Gulf's proposed rates.

PSC Service Hearing Locations

Tuesday, September 3, 2013

4:00 p.m. CST Pensacola State College Hagler Auditorium 1000 College Boulevard

(Note: Auditorium is at the corner of Underwood Avenue and N. 9th Avenue)
Pensacola, FL 32504

Wednesday, September 4, 2012

10:00 a.m. CST Edgewater Beach Conference Center 11212 Front Beach Road Panama City Beach, FL 32407

Gulf's rate case hearing before the PSC will be in Tallahassee. Witnesses from the utility, the Commission staff, and the Office of Public Counsel will present testimony, introduce exhibits, and be cross-examined before the Commissioners. Commissioners will review Gulf's need for a rate increase, its existing and proposed rate structure, and its ability to provide safe and reliable service.

After the rate case hearing dates are scheduled, you can find them on the Commission Calendar at: http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/pdf/calendar.pdf, and you can view the hearing at the following link: http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/audiovideo/index.aspx.

PSC hearings and events are archived and available for three months following their conclusion and can be viewed at: http://www.floridapsc.com/agendas/audiovideo/archives/.

Commissioners are charged with making sure that Florida's utility companies, including Gulf, fulfill their service obligation. In its petition to the PSC, Gulf said its rate adjustment is needed, in part, because, "Gulf has continued to invest heavily, particularly in transmission assets...and the associated increase in rate base has outpaced relatively flat sales and customer growth." The PSC will ensure that final customer rates reflect only those costs that are prudent and necessary for Gulf to deliver quality electric service to your home or business.

Thank you again for your correspondence, and if you have additional questions or need further assistance, please call our toll-free number, 1-800-342-3552. If you want updated case information, visit the PSC's website, www.floridapsc.com; look for the Clerk's Office tab, then hit Dockets, and type in the Gulf case number 130140-EI.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello Assistant Director 850-413-6107

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cc: Commission Clerk

From: Ruth McHargue

Sent: Monday, July 15, 2013 3:29 PM **To:** Consumer Correspondence **Cc:** Diane Hood; Bev DeMello

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 130168

Customer correspondence

From: Consumer Contact

Sent: Monday, July 15, 2013 2:43 PM

To: Ruth McHarque

Subject: To CLK Docket 130168

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From: Nancy Trainer [mailto:mulleckhead@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, July 15, 2013 2:37 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: Gulf Power's Rate Request

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very concerned about Gulf Power's recent request for a hike in their base rates. This request is "supposedly" to replace obsolete equipment and update facilities. However, several weeks ago, in the Pensacola News Journal, it was stated that Gulf Power was requesting a hike in their base rates because revenues were down. It makes me wonder just how are they managing the income generated by the consumers. Due to a rather stagnant economy, many consumers are trying to conserve their usage. Unfortunately, this isn't good for GP because they won't get much income

when people conserve. Even though Gulf Power tells us to conserve, I feel consumers are being "screwed" because when we do conserve, then GP slaps a rate hike on consumers for "conserving".

I live in NW Florida (Pensacola). My only source of income is my social security. I pay for what I use. Unfortunately, the inside of my house is hot and I have central air! I have to keep the thermostat on 84 just to keep my usage low so I can afford to pay my own bill. I could easily ripen green bananas in one day! Sometimes I wonder why do we have ACs when it's getting to the point that it will be too expensive to run!

As a concerned consumer, I have several questions that should be asked of Gulf Power. They are as follows:

GP needs to break down how this increase is going to be appropriated. What percentage of the rate hike is applied to bonuses and pay raises? What percentage of the rate hike is applied to their retirement and medical plans? What percentage is applied to equipment replacement? What percentage is applied to update facilities?

Supposedly Gulf Power is a non-profit company. I find that a bit hard to believe. I've had their representatives over to my house for an "energy audit". I wasn't given any suggestions/tips as to how I could reduce my energy usage. Both times they were trying to sell equipment that I could not afford! Living on a fixed income is difficult and to pay for those expensive energy saving upgrades is totally out of the question! I have a very tight budget and I have learned to do without a lot of things. When I pay my Gulf Power bill in person, I notice they must keep their thermostat really low because it is so COOL when you walk in. However, you go inside my house and believe me, you will notice the difference.

I know I am just one person but I don't think I am the only one who feels this way. Gulf Power can and should live within their budget just like I do. I do hope you take my concerns/suggestions into consideration when it comes time to respond to Gulf Power's request.

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