

**Lorena Hollett**

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**From:** Office of Commissioner Passidomo  
**Sent:** Monday, September 26, 2022 4:20 PM  
**To:** Commissioner Correspondence  
**Subject:** Docket No. 20220001  
**Attachments:** Docket No. 20220001-EI No new electric rate hikes!; Objection to Electricity Rate Increase -- Docket No. 20220001-EI

Please place the attached in Docket No. 20220001.

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**From:** Michael Hall <info@email.actionnetwork.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 26, 2022 4:07 PM  
**To:** Office of Commissioner Passidomo  
**Subject:** Docket No. 20220001-EI: No new electric rate hikes!

Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo,

Docket No. 20220001-EI

I am writing as a concerned Florida resident and a electricity customer. I received notification that FPL, Duke and Tampa Electric intend to increase rates for customers like me. I am urging you to rethink this decision and not increase our bills.

This past year has been extremely challenging financially for many people in the state of Florida. A rate increase is the last thing we need, especially for vulnerable folks who may be on a fixed income or struggling to recover financially from the pandemic. We are all inundated with price increases on everything.

I urge you to reject these outrageous rate increases at this time.

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**From:** Courtney Stauffer <cstauffer22@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 26, 2022 4:03 PM  
**To:** Records Clerk  
**Cc:** Office of Chairman Fay; Office of Commissioner La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo  
**Subject:** Objection to Electricity Rate Increase -- Docket No. 20220001-EI

Hello,

I am a customer of Duke Energy Florida. I understand that the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) is considering a request by Duke Energy Florida to increase its rate for 2023 due to “volatile” fluctuations of natural gas prices.

Duke's electricity rate per KWH is currently 29% higher than FP&L (see below) and Duke is now asking for another 15% for 2023, the highest increase of the three monopoly power companies seeking a rate increase. Duke already charges more per KWH than the other two, large investor-owned electric utility companies in Florida (source: Sept. 2022 issue of Florida Trend Magazine):

Duke Energy - \$201.32/1,500 KWH  
FP&L - \$156.81/1,500 KWH  
Tampa Electric – \$175.17/1,500 KWH

Non-investor owned near me:  
OUC - \$169.25/1,500 KWH  
Kissimmee - \$173.59/1,500 KWH

The FPSC Commissioners need to be asking, "How can Duke Energy justify asking for even more money from their captive customers when they already charge the highest rate compared to all the other major electricity utilities in Florida?" Rather, the Commissioners should tell this public monopoly utility to look harder for cost savings and new efficiencies, and reduce their profit margin rather than asking for even more money from their captive customers.

I strongly urge the FPSC Commissionees to reject this rate increase request.

Best regards,

Courtney Stauffer  
407-272-6391

Sent from my phone. Please excuse any typos.