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## **Lorena Hollett**

From:

Lorena Hollett on behalf of Records Clerk

Wednesday, March 1, 2023 8:24 AM

To:

'harveydouglas@bellsouth.net'

**Cc:** Consumer Contact

**Subject:** RE: Docket No. 20200181; Put us on a path to lower power bills through energy

efficiency

Good morning, Doug Harvey.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200181, and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Regards,

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----Original Message-----

From: harveydouglas@everyactioncustom.com <harveydouglas@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 6:37 PM To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

Subject: Docket No. 20200181; Put us on a path to lower power bills through energy efficiency

Dear Florida PSC Commissioners,

We are paying power bills that are higher than ever. Just as we are dealing with higher housing costs and general inflation, we are being hit with record increases in charges for higher and volatile fuel costs on bills. By installing solar to assist with the grid demand, we feel we are doing a good thing both for the environment and the built environment. Please protect our net metering and do not harm us for paying for and installing energy storage. When the minimum bill for power we did not even use is equal to or above what our bill was before, it is harmful and hurts our finances. Please help us to help the wonderful Stat of Florida and protect our investment to help all Floridians and our visitors which are vital to our economy. Thank you

Paying sky-high electricity bills isn't sustainable for many Floridians – but there is an opportunity to change the course we're on. Please put us on a path to lower bills by adopting an energy efficiency rule that will provide greater access to energy saving programs for hard working families.

Access to meaningful energy efficiency programs can help customers most in need manage higher power bills. Additionally, using energy smarter saves the utility money by reducing the amount of fuel burned to generate electricity – an economic benefit for all customers. It's a win-win solution that can only be realized if you modernize your rule to discourage outdated practices that depress energy efficiency potential and reward energy waste.

Please adopt an energy efficiency rule that makes Florida a leader in capturing energy savings for families and businesses. Protect our net metering, eliminate or at least limit the increases in minimum electric bills for energy we did

not even use. Let's modernize our practices to put energy savings to work for Florida's families, businesses, and the state.

cc: Governor DeSantis

Sincerely,
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