From:	Ellen Plendl
Sent:	Friday, September 8, 2023 1:55 PM
То:	Consumer Correspondence
Subject:	Docket Nos. 20230001 & 20230020
Attachments:	Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida; FW Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida; FW Skyrocketing Electric Costs; FW Duke Energy bills, auto insurance rates; Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida; Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida; FW Duke Electric Bills; FW DUKE electric; Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida; FW Duke Energy price gouging

See attached customer correspondence and replies for Docket Nos. 20230001 & 20230020

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ellen Plendl Friday, September 8, 2023 12:55 PM 'haley.warren@me.com' Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Ms. Haley Burke haley.warren@me.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1428907C

Dear Ms. Burke:

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Sincerely,

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ellen Plendl Friday, September 8, 2023 12:53 PM 'bandleadinglady@hotmail.com' FW: Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Ms. Kathleen Moses bandleadinglady@hotmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1428906C

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Sincerely,

From:Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>Sent:Friday, September 8, 2023 12:43 PMTo:Ellen PlendlSubject:FW: Skyrocketing Electric Costs

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Sincerely,

Martha Lynn Office of Citizen Services Executive Office of the Governor

From: Haley Burke <haley.warren@me.com> Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2023 12:04 PM To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com Subject: Skyrocketing Electric Costs

Constituent message:

- 1. Name Haley Burke
- 2. Email Address haley.warren@me.com
- 3. Phone Number 4073141862
- 4. Subject Skyrocketing Electric Costs
- 5. Message Dear Governor DeSantis,

The people of Orlando are struggling to pay their electricity bills. In Windermere, the cost of electricity has increased 20% this year alone. Wages aren't increasing high enough to pay this extreme increase in electric costs. My husband and I are very conservative with our electricity. However, the rate keeps increasing month after month. Why isn't there a cap on electricity rates? Something needs to be done to protect the consumer. Duke Energy's CEO, Lynn Good, just received a huge raise while the people of Orlando are suffering from these skyrocketing electricity rates. Please help us get these unbelievable electricity rates under contract. Thank you so much for your time.

6. Attach file (optional)

- 7. User IP Address 108.81.103.208
- 8. HTTP User Agent

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- 9. Date Submitted 06/09/2023
- 10. Time Submitted 12:03:48 pm, EDT

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From:	Governor's Office of Citizen Services <eogcitizenservices@eog.myflorida.com></eogcitizenservices@eog.myflorida.com>
Sent:	Friday, September 8, 2023 12:38 PM
То:	Ellen Plendl
Subject:	FW: Duke Energy bills, auto insurance rates

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From: Kathleen Moses <bandleadinglady@hotmail.com> Sent: Friday, September 8, 2023 12:02 PM To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com Subject: Duke Energy bills, auto insurance rates

Constituent message:

- 1. Name Kathleen Moses
- 2. Email Address bandleadinglady@hotmail.com
- 3. Phone Number 3158540162
- 4. Subject

Duke Energy bills, auto insurance rates

5. Message

Our Duke Energy bills have begun to go through the roof. I am a retired teacher and my husband is a disabled veteran. There is no logical explanation for such an astronomical increase in costs. Please look into what Duke Energy is doing to take advantage of us, including the incredible compensation received by its CEO. In addition, our auto insurance went up approximately \$1,000 in just one year. Please look into this as well. This is too much for us. Thank you.

- 6. Attach file (optional)
- 7. User IP Address 66.42.26.16
- 8. HTTP User Agent

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- 9. Date Submitted 08/09/2023
- 10. Time Submitted 12:02:09 pm, EDT

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Ellen Plendl Friday, September 8, 2023 10:05 AM 'tfowlerarnp@gmail.com' Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Ms. Teresa Fowler-Plotkin tfowlerarnp@gmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1428865C

Dear Ms. Fowler-Plotkin:

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Sincerely,

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Ellen Plendl Friday, September 8, 2023 10:02 AM 'susyhaldeman@yahoo.com' Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Ms. Susan Haldeman susyhaldeman@yahoo.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1428864C

Dear Ms. Haldeman:

The Governor's office forwarded a copy of your emails regarding Duke Energy Florida (DEF) to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC). The FPSC 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 FPSC. The FPSC has authority in the telephone industry which is limited to the Lifeline Assistance Program, Florida Relay Service, and pay telephone service. We appreciate the opportunity to respond directly to you.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com> Friday, September 8, 2023 8:47 AM Ellen Plendl FW: Duke Electric Bills

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From: Susan Haldeman <susyhaldeman@yahoo.com> Sent: Thursday, September 7, 2023 7:38 PM To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com Subject: Duke Electric Bills

Constituent message:

- 1. Name Susan Haldeman
- 2. Email Address susyhaldeman@yahoo.com
- 3. Phone Number 8139568765
- 4. Subject Duke Electric Bills
- 5. Message Hi.

I know you have taken the cap off of the energy company so they can charge whatever they want. Unfortunately, this only benefits them, and, I assume, in turn, you. You are killing Florida families. We are all working our butts off here, and the electric bills are killing us. I live in a 1300 square foot home. I turn off my lights. I run my A/C enough to keep the house comfortable. I just got a \$450 electric bill! Last year our highest bill was about \$300. One of my neighbors got a \$900 bill! Why are you making it impossible for the middle and lower classes to get by here? Why are you allowing Duke to do this? Are you trying to drive everyone out of the state? Please help us out and make them cap what they can charge.

This is one you cannot blame on the federal government.

- 6. Attach file (optional)
- 7. User IP Address 47.205.196.208
- 8. HTTP User Agent Mozilla/5.0 (iPhone; CPU iPhone OS 16\_6 like Mac OS X) AppleWebKit/605.1.15 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/16.6 Mobile/15E148 Safari/604.1
- 9. Date Submitted 07/09/2023
- 10. Time Submitted 7:38:29 pm, EDT

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com> Friday, September 8, 2023 8:42 AM Ellen Plendl FW: DUKE electric

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From: Teresa Fowler-Plotkin <tfowlerarnp@gmail.com> Sent: Thursday, September 7, 2023 5:09 PM To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com Subject: DUKE electric

Constituent message:

- 1. Name Teresa Fowler-Plotkin
- 2. Email Address tfowlerarnp@gmail.com
- 3. Phone Number 4074680065
- 4. Subject DUKE electric
- 5. Message

my electric bill is \$700 this month. this is unacceptable, unaffordable and needs to be addressed. my home is 3,000sq feet. i have never paid this much and needs to be illegal!

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- 7. User IP Address 67.77.87.16

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- 9. Date Submitted 07/09/2023
- 10. Time Submitted 5:08:37 pm, EDT

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Ellen Plendl Friday, September 8, 2023 6:56 AM 'troopmom1@aol.com' Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Ms. Amy S. Waldinger troopmom1@aol.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1428844C

Dear Ms. Waldinger:

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Sincerely,

Sent:

To:

Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com> From: Thursday, September 7, 2023 4:31 PM Ellen Plendl FW: Duke Energy price gouging Subject:

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From: Amy S Waldinger <troopmom1@aol.com> Sent: Thursday, September 7, 2023 2:20 PM To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com Subject: Duke Energy price gouging

Constituent message:

- 1. Name **Amy S Waldinger**
- 2. Email Address troopmom1@aol.com
- 3. Phone Number
  - 6463580118
- 4. Subject Duke Energy price gouging
- 5. Message

Why are these Electric companies allowed to raise their rates and pass on fossil fuel costs and hurricane relief costs to consumers. In Windermere, rates are up 20% this year! How is there not a cap? No one is getting 20% raises to cover this!!! Fixed income residents are considering selling and moving. With hurricane threats and rising costs, it's no longer a great choice for a second home either. Something needs to be done to protect the consumer. We are not using more energy, just paying more every few months! Where do we get the funds to cover this huge rate increase. Lynn Good, Duke CEO got a huge raise. Look who paid for it!

- 6. Attach file (optional)
- 7. User IP Address

130.51.196.215

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