

Charlie Smith

From: Charlie Smith on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Wednesday, May 22, 2024 12:52 PM
To: 'Rebecca Morn'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Keep Duke Rates Down Docket #20240025

Good afternoon Rebecca Morn,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20240025, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Best regards,

Charlie Smith II

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Subject: Keep Duke Rates Down Docket #20240025

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Dear PSC Member,

As a concerned Duke Energy customer [and AARP member in Florida], I am writing to express my opposition to Duke Energy's proposed rate increase.

I am permanently disabled and just lost my remote part-time job after 3 and a half years. I am in Duke's budget-billing program and my monthly bill has already increased from \$107 to \$113 last year, and it recently increased again to \$134 even though I live alone and keep my thermostat set on 74 all year round and I have never used the heat in the 5 years I have lived here. I haven't received any explanations for why.

I urge you to carefully consider the impact of a rate increase on Florida residents, particularly the most vulnerable among us. With the rising costs of living, including healthcare and housing, a hike in utility rates would decrease our quality of life.

I ask that you prioritize the interests of consumers over corporate greed and reject Duke Energy's proposed increase to the return on equity and fixed customer charge. This is pure profit that customers should not have to pay for. Now more than ever, it is crucial to ensure that essential services remain affordable and accessible to all Floridians.

Thank you for your careful consideration to this matter.

Sincerely,

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