## CORRESPONDENCE 5/31/2024 DOCUMENT NO. 04465-2024

## **Charlie Smith**

From: John Plescow

Sent:Friday, May 31, 2024 4:18 PMTo:Consumer CorrespondenceCc:Consina Griffin-Greaux

**Subject:** FW: 20240025 - FW: Objection to Duke Energy's Proposed Rate Hike

Please, add to docket 20240025.

----Original Message-----

From: Consina Griffin-Greaux < CGriffin@psc.state.fl.us > On Behalf Of Consumer Contact

Sent: Friday, May 31, 2024 4:08 PM

To: John Plescow < JPlescow@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

Subject: 20240025 - FW: Objection to Duke Energy's Proposed Rate Hike

John,

Please send to clerk's office.

**Thanks** 

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----Original Message----

From: Cathy Jardim <cathyjardim@icloud.com>

Sent: Friday, May 31, 2024 3:51 PM

To: Consumer Contact <Contact@PSC.STATE.FL.US> Subject: Objection to Duke Energy's Proposed Rate Hike

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Dear Florida Public Service Commission,

I am writing to object to Duke Energy's proposed increase to energy rates which threatens to affect the energy cost for all Florida residents.

Duke Energy is seeking approval for an \$820 million increase from the Florida Public Service Commission. To raise rates by 27% over the next three years, this is a \$16.48 per month increase in 2025 alone. To increase their guaranteed profit (return on equity) to 11.5%, well above the national average of 9.71%. Adding \$2.56 more to the \$30 per month fixed customer charge, which is unrelated to electric usage.

Duke Energy wants to raise Florida residents monthly electric cost. This rate hike will burden households already struggling with rising costs. Florida residents can't afford higher electric bills.

Best,

Cathy Jardim

Sent from my iPhone