## **Nickalus Holmes**

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Sent: Monday, September 15, 2025 8:48 AM

To: 'caron.m.michelle@gmail.com'

**Cc:** Consumer Contact

**Subject:** RE: Objection to Docket No. 20250023-WS – Grenelefe Utilities Rate Increase

## **Good Morning**

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20250023, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance.

Thank you,
Nick Holmes
Commission Deputy Clerk II
Office of Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
850-413-6770

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**Sent:** Friday, September 12, 2025 10:02 PM **To:** Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

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Subject: Objection to Docket No. 20250023-WS - Grenelefe Utilities Rate Increase

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## Dear Clerk,

I am writing to formally object to the proposed utility rate increase for Grenelefe Utilities under Docket No. 20250023-WS.

As a resident of Grenelefe in Polk County, I am extremely concerned that the requested increase is far too high and would place an undue financial burden on our community. Many of us are already struggling with the rising costs of living, and such a sharp increase in utility bills would make it even harder for families, retirees, and working households to afford basic necessities.

As a family with our first small daughter, we simply cannot afford this additional financial pressure. Like many other young families in Grenelefe, every dollar matters. Raising our rates to this extent would mean having to make painful choices between essentials for our child and keeping up with basic utilities.

We relocated from Los Angeles, California, specifically because of how expensive it was to live there. If this rate increase is approved, our utility bills here in Grenelefe would actually surpass what we experienced in Los Angeles — defeating the very reason we chose to move to Florida in the first place.

While I understand that utilities may face legitimate operating costs, the level of increase requested is not reasonable or sustainable for customers. I urge the Commission to carefully examine whether these proposed rates are truly justified, whether all cost-cutting measures have been pursued, and whether the company has demonstrated that the increase is in the public interest.

For these reasons, I respectfully but firmly object to the proposed increase and ask that the Commission deny this request, or at minimum, significantly reduce the level of increase being considered.

Thank you for your time and attention to the concerns of Grenelefe residents.

Sincerely, Mary Michelle Caron, Nicholas James Fink and Camille Rowan Fink Grenelefe - 626 Olde Camelot Circle #3216, Haines City FL 33844 404.889.9660