

**Christopher Cooney**

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**From:** Ellen Plendl  
**Sent:** Monday, April 06, 2015 2:15 PM  
**To:** Consumer Correspondence  
**Subject:** Docket 150009-EI  
**Attachments:** FW Duke Energy REfund; RE Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

See attached customer correspondence and PSC reply for correspondence side of Docket 150009-EI.

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**From:** Governor Rick Scott <Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 06, 2015 11:21 AM  
**To:** Ellen Plendl  
**Cc:** Sunburst  
**Subject:** FW: Duke Energy REfund

-----Original Message-----

From: L [<mailto:ldvanore@hotmail.com>]  
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2015 11:11 AM  
To: Governor Rick Scott  
Subject: Duke Energy REfund

From: L <[ldvanore@hotmail.com](mailto:ldvanore@hotmail.com)>

County: Seminole

Zip Code: 32708

Phone Number:

Message Body: Governor: We the Ratepayers would like to know specifically when Duke Energy is going to refund all those MILLIONS they collected to build those power plants that never were?  
We the Taxpayers would also like to know when BIG SUGAR is going to be required to clean up the mess they created in the Everglades?  
WE THE PEOPLE suspect the answer is, "When pigs fly." Shame - Shame - Shame.

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**From:** Rhonda Hicks  
**Sent:** Monday, April 06, 2015 12:48 PM  
**To:** 'ldvanore@hotmail.com'  
**Subject:** RE: Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Mr. L. Vanore  
[ldvanore@hotmail.com](mailto:ldvanore@hotmail.com)

Dear Mr. Vanore:

The Governor's office forwarded a copy of your E-mail 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 assist you.

You expressed a concern about DEF's petition to recover prudently incurred preconstruction costs associated with nuclear power plants.

To encourage the development of nuclear power, the Florida Legislature enacted a law in 2006 to permit utilities to recover some nuclear plant project costs during the construction process. The FPSC then adopted a rule on how to evaluate those costs annually. Annual FPSC nuclear cost recovery hearings allow Commissioners to hear testimony from the utilities, consumer groups, and the public on recovery of actual and estimated project costs.

In 2011, to help secure a diversified and stable energy for Florida, the FPSC approved cost recovery amounts for the construction of planned nuclear generating plants and additions to existing nuclear plants. Then Progress Energy's (now DEF) approved recovery includes costs associated with construction of its proposed nuclear power plants, Levy Units 1 and 2, and adding capacity to its existing nuclear generating plant at Crystal River.

On October 17, 2013, the FPSC approved a Revised and Restated Settlement Agreement for DEF that maintained customer base rates through 2018 and terminated plans for DEF's Levy County nuclear units 1 & 2.

In 2014, under a Commission-approved Settlement Agreement, DEF customer monthly bills reflect \$3.45 a month to recover remaining costs associated with the Levy Project. Because of this credit, the charge will now be removed from customer bills much earlier than was anticipated. It's estimated that the charge will be removed sometime next year, and under the Settlement, the charge was projected to continue through 2016.

I hope you find this information helpful. I will add your comments to the correspondence side of Docket No. 150009-EI.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552, or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

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