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From: charles [mailto:cbl2222@outlook.com] Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 5:15 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: SAY NO...DUKE can just wait out the court rulings...and NEW GOVT...I'M NOT PAYING ANY HIGHER ELECTRIC

COSTS!!!!

"The new power plant is necessary to replace electricity generated by two existing coal power plants that are being shut down to comply with recently imposed U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) restrictions on power plant emissions. The two coal power plants are in perfect working order, utilize America's most abundant energy source, and provide customers in the Crystal River region with electricity from America's least expensive widely available power source."

"Duke proposes building a new \$1.9 million natural gas power plant, but faces competition from other companies seeking to cash in on the forced closings. Calpine Construction Finance Co. is urging the PSC to force Duke to purchase electricity from Calpine's existing natural gas plant in Polk County. Duke and Calpine disagree on whether it makes more sense for ratepayers to finance a new Duke power plant in Crystal River or pay for power from the less efficient Calpine plant and build new transmission lines to deliver the Calpine electricity from Polk County to the Crystal River area."

USE EXISTING PLANTS AND ADD NEW TRANSMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE...ALWAYS A GOOD THING!!! WAITING OUT THE COURTS AND GOVT. IS THE WISE MOVE...A BIGGER NUMBER OF PEOPLE ARE COMING TO THE REALIZATION THAT THE WHOLE "CLIMATE CHANGE" MOVEMENT IS JUST THAT, A POLITICAL MOVEMENT...NOT SCIENTIFIC. CLIMATOLOGIST KNOW FAR LESS ABOUT THE CONTROLING ELEMENTS OF OUR WORLD CLIMATE THAN THEY THINK THEY KNOW...THAT'S WHY ALL THERE COMPUTER MODELS ARE SCIENCE FICTION AT BEST, AND ECONOMICALLY RUINOUS AT WORST. SPRING OF 2007 EVEN THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC*** POSTED THE NEWS THAT "THE SUN/SOLAR SYSTEM" IS THE DRIVING SOURCE OF OUR SOLAR SYSTEMS WARMING...PERIOD...MY, HOW TIMES CHANGE.

Habibullo Abdussamatov, the head of space research at St. Petersburg's Pulkovo Astronomical Observatory in Russia, recently linked the attenuation of ice caps on Mars to fluctuations in the sun's output.

Abdussamatov also blamed solar fluctuations for Earth's current global warming trend. His initial comments were **published online by**National Geographic News. "Man-made greenhouse warming has [made a] small contribution [to] the warming on Earth in recent years, but [it] cannot compete with the increase in solar irradiance, Abdussamatov told LiveScience in an email interview last week.

"The considerable heating and cooling on the Earth and on Mars always will be practically parallel." But Abdussamatov's critics say the Red Planet's recent thawing is more likely due to natural variations in the planet's orbit and tilt. On Earth, these wobbles, known as Milankovitch cycles, are thought to contribute to the onset and disappearance ice ages.

"It's believed that what drives climate change on Mars are orbital variations," said Jeffrey Plaut, a project scientist for NASA's Mars Odyssey mission.
"The Earth also goes through orbital variations similar to that of Mars."