

Ashley Quick

From: Angela Charles on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2016 11:10 AM
To: 'Robert Bracken'
Subject: RE: Decision to Allow Florida Power and Light to Acquire the Right to Serve Indian River Shores Electrical Power

Good morning Mr. Bracken,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 160049-EU and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

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From: Robert Bracken [<mailto:rwbracken160@aol.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2016 11:08 AM

To: Commissioner.Briese@psc.state.fl.us

Cc: Records Clerk

Subject: Decision to Allow Florida Power and Light to Acquire the Right to Serve Indian River Shores Electrical Power

Dear Commissioners;

I am a long time resident of Indian River Shores, Florida. As residents of Indian River Shores we have had to pay significantly higher rates for electricity that is supplied by the City of Vero Beach. The higher rates have been used to fund the general fund of Vero Beach which have nothing to do with the city's utility operation. This excess money coming into the Vero Beach general fund has encouraged the city council to make poor decisions over the years and to enter into ridiculous and expensive contracts.

As customers we have had no say in how the utility was run and we have had no choice in how the rates are set.

The last time the PSC reviewed the territorial agreement was 28 years ago. I encourage you to review the territorial agreement and to see that Vero Beach is operating an unregulated monopoly in Indian River Shores. Florida Power and Light wants to serve our community and has made an offer to buy the facility from Vero Beach. Their rates would be professionally and neutrally regulated by the PSC as the single electric utility provider in our town.

Please review these issues and I encourage you to act to correct this abuse by Vero Beach.

Robert W. Bracken
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