## **Sandra Soto**

From: Sandra Soto on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Monday, August 08, 2016 8:42 AM

To: 'Chip'

**Subject:** RE: Docket number 160021-E1

Dear Mr. Goetz,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 160021-EI and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

Sandra Soto Commission Deputy Clerk I Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399 (850) 413-6010

From: Chip [mailto:baltocpg@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 08, 2016 7:26 AM

To: Records Clerk

Subject: Docket number 160021-E1

I am very concerned to learn of the proposed rate increase being considered for FPL. We have no option of investing in any other power company. We know that FPL pays millions of dollars per year to their executives and we know that they contribute millions of dollars per year to politicians and lobbyist to support FPL's financial goals. We the consumers are held captive because we are not able to shop other utility providers.

This latest rate increase gives no indication of being anything more than a way to increase profits for shareholders. For those of us on fixed incomes, this huge, double-digit increase can be catastrophic and force customers to make choices between dollars that must now be spent on utilities versus food and/or medications.

It is my understanding that none of those funds will go to service enhancements, disaster preparedness, or energy innovation; all things that will benefit FPL customers so not only will we be forced to subsidize shareholder profits but we will receive nothing in return. This is unconscionable and should not be allowed.

Please, as the commission tasked with oversight of FPL, do not allow this increase to occur as it will be extremely detrimental to the huge customer base that FPL serves.

Sincerely,

Clarence Goetz 1355 NW 21<sup>st</sup> Terrace Delray Beach, FL 33445

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