Sandra Soto

From: Janet Brunson

Sent: Monday, August 15, 2016 9:02 AM

To: 'SpettPrinting@aol.com'

Cc:Consumer Correspondence; Consumer ContactSubject:FPL Rate Increase - Docket No. 160021-EI

Dear Mr. Spett:

Thank you for contacting the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) about Florida Power & Light Company's (FPL) rate petition. To give Commissioners and staff an opportunity to review your comments, your correspondence is included in the file for Docket No.160021-EI.

As you know, the PSC customer service hearings were held in June in FPL's service territory for Commissioners to hear directly from customers about the utility's rate request and service. All customer comments during the hearings and all correspondence will be reviewed and considered when PSC staff prepares its recommendation to the Commissioners on FPL's proposed rates.

The PSC's evidentiary hearing on FPL's rate case will be in August in Tallahassee. Witnesses from the utility, intervenors, Commission staff, and the Public Counsel, who represents customers, will present testimony and exhibits and be cross-examined by the Commissioners and other parties. Commissioners will examine FPL's need for a rate increase, its existing and proposed rate structure, and its ability to provide safe and reliable service.

Commissioners are charged with making sure that Florida's utility companies fulfill their service obligation. The PSC will ensure that final customer rates reflect only those costs that are prudent and necessary for FPL to deliver quality electric service to your home or business. Any proposed rate adjustment is requested to begin in January 2017.

If you have additional questions or need further assistance, please call 1-800-342-3552. If you want updated case information, visit the PSC's website, www.floridapsc.com and click on the Clerk's Office tab, then hit Dockets and type in case number 160021.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello Assistant Director Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach

Phone: 850-413-6107

From: Sandra Soto On Behalf Of Records Clerk Sent: Monday, August 08, 2016 2:01 PM

To: 'SpettPrinting@aol.com'

Subject: RE: FPL Rate Hike Docket 160021-E1

Dear Mr. Spett,

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: SpettPrinting@aol.com [mailto:SpettPrinting@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, August 08, 2016 11:45 AM

To: Records Clerk

Subject: re: FPL Rate Hike Docket 160021-E1

August 8, 2016

Ms. Carlotta Stauffer Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850.

re: Docket 160021-E1

- 1. Regardless of the size of the request, simply by filing for a rate increase FPL is sure to be granted one. When has the PSC ever *denied* a rate hike?
- 2. As it is, with global warming electrical usage and our monthly bill is higher than ever, and not about to lessen. And where are the promised savings from supposed FPL capital investments in solar energy in our Sunshine state?
- 3. By requesting a 23% increase FPL is betting on the commission knocking it down to 10% like what was awarded in 2013. Check back to see how much they asked back then and no doubt it will be very close to what FPL wants now.
- 4. In the following year 2014 FPL was granted another 5% rate increase on top of the 10% giving them 2/3 of what they likely had asked for previously. Based upon past history, it is likely that they'll be back next year in hopes of achieving the same result.

- 5. With oil and gas selling at historically low prices, FPL is now profiting more than ever in the mark-up of the pass-along price to their customers.
- 6. Their strategy worked before and that's why they are trying it again. They should have to prove the need for more profit, not just play game of negotiation. Once and for all the PSC ought to allow them just a nominal 1% or 2% increase in an effort to end this continuing charade.

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