

Collin Roehner

From: Collin Roehner on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 8:36 AM
To: 'Mariam Evans'
Subject: RE: Docket Number 160186 / Gulf Power Request for Rate Increase

Good morning Ms. Evans,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 160186-EI and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

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From: Mariam Evans [<mailto:mariamevans@cox.net>]
Sent: Monday, January 16, 2017 5:48 PM
To: Records Clerk
Subject: Docket Number 160186 / Gulf Power Request for Rate Increase

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

Dear Ms. Stauffer,

I retired in April of 2012 on a fixed income. My husband and I have always worked for private companies and therefore live in retirement on Social Security and what we have saved. My net Social Security payment from 2014 to 2015 increased by 1.8%. There was no increase for 2016 and I have been notified by the Social Security Administration that my net payment per month will remain the same for 2017. My Annuity (savings) pays the same amount each month as was originally established.

We are conservative with our electricity. We had Gulf Power install their Energy Select thermostat in our home. In the winter months we keep the thermostat on 68 during the day and 66 at night. During the summer our thermostat is set on 80 during the high cost part of the day and on 78 at night.

In researching my power bills I found that for 2016 we paid 18% more than we did in 2012 which is the year I retired. Certainly way more than I have received in income increase.

I am asking the Public Service Commission to consider the hardship an increase in power causes for myself and other retirees who live in Florida and deny the Gulf Power request for a rate increase.

Sincerely,
Mariam T. Evans
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Pensacola, FL 32507