

Ashley Quick

From: Janet Brunson
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 10:15 AM
To: 'James Spencer'
Cc: Consumer Correspondence
Subject: Docket No. 160186-EI - Gulf Power Rate Increase Request

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Thank you for contacting the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) about Gulf Power Company's (Gulf) rate increase petition. Your correspondence is included in Gulf's rate case docket file (No. 160186-EI) to give Commissioners and staff an opportunity to review and understand your concerns.

January hearings were held in Pensacola and Panama City. All customer comments—written and verbal—become a part of the record and will be reviewed and considered when PSC staff prepares its recommendation to the Commissioners on Gulf's petition.

Gulf's technical hearing before the PSC will be in March in Tallahassee. Witnesses from the utility, the Commission staff, the Office of Public Counsel (representing Gulf customers), and other intervenors in the case will present testimony, introduce exhibits, and be cross-examined before the Commissioners. Commissioners will review Gulf'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. In its petition, Gulf based its request on several factors, including transmission projects and replacing and repairing infrastructure. The PSC will ensure that final customer rates reflect only those costs that are prudent and necessary for Gulf to deliver quality electric service.

You can find Gulf rate case information on the PSC's website, www.FloridaPSC.com. Access the Clerk's Office tab, then hit Dockets and type in Docket No. 160186. All case submissions can be found in the Documents Filing Index. If you have additional questions or need further assistance, please call PSC Consumer Assistance at 1-800-342-3552.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello
Assistant Director

From: James Spencer [<mailto:keshiaspencer49@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 4:42 PM
To: Consumer Contact
Subject: Gulf power rate hike

I find that this rate hike is absolutely absurd and it is a heavy burden to place on families that are already struggling in this economy. We do everything we can to keep our rate low and we are sick and tired of being robbed by utility companies. We have limited our power as far as we can and now they want to flat out steal from us??????