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From: Janet Brunson
Sent: Monday, February 06, 2017 2:01 PM
To: Consumer Correspondence
Cc: Diane Hood
Subject: FW: Oppose Gulf Power Rate Increase

I sent this one to Ms. McLeaish and got ahead of myself and didn't cc you guys.

From: Janet Brunson
Sent: Monday, February 06, 2017 1:59 PM
To: 'Hannah McLeaish'
Subject: RE: Oppose Gulf Power Rate Increase

Dear Ms. McLeaish:

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 service 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: Hannah McLeaish [<mailto:hannahmcleaish@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, February 01, 2017 4:52 PM
To: Consumer Contact
Subject: Oppose Gulf Power Rate Increase

Good afternoon,

My name is Hannah McLeaish, of Pensacola. I am contacting you to express my opposition to the proposed Gulf Power rate increase. I would like to endorse the comments made by Shannon Baker-Branstetter from the January 26th public service commission. It is unreasonable to consider that such a steep rate increase could ever be assumed by the public in this fashion. As a young family with hopes for children in the near future, an increase like this would change the course of our budget and push back our financial ability to responsibly have children until later. I urge Gulf Power to consider those like myself in the community before imposing this fee.

Respectfully,
Hannah McLeaish
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