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From:	Brandy Butler on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent:	Thursday, November 16, 2017 9:16 AM
To:	'svansmith@gmail.com'
Cc:	Consumer Contact
Subject:	RE: Docket No. 20170007 – Deny FPL's request to bill families for clean up costs

Good morning Ms. Van Smith,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20170007 and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

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From: svansmith@everyactioncustom.com [mailto:svansmith@everyactioncustom.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2017 10:07 PM
To: Records Clerk
Subject: Docket No. 20170007 – Deny FPL's request to bill families for clean up costs

Dear FL PSC,

As a 69 year old FP&L ratepayer and a resident of Miami-Dade, I remember when the cooling canals went in. In 1978, FP&L was warmed that the canals eould eventually become too salty and algae-ridden. FP&L chose to ignore this scientific opinion and went ahead to establish 6,000 acres of cooling canals.

The company should have known long ago that its cooling canals were creating a growing underground contamination plume in the drinking water aquifer. FPL should have acted prudently in addressing its problems - it did not. It sat on its hands for decades and only recently began to consider a solution to the problem. Why should I pay for decades of mistakes by FPL?

FPL was recently granted a rate hike and will also be requesting recovery over $1 billion from customers due to storm damage. Florida's families should not have to pay over $200 million to FPL to cover FPL's inaction to address pollution from its cooling canals.

FPL should pay to clean up its own mess, not customers. Please vote to deny FPL's unfair request to saddle families with more costs and higher bills.

Sincerely,
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