

**Brandy Butler**

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**From:** Brandy Butler on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 05, 2018 4:57 PM  
**To:** 'Mike Moran'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Reasons for not to approve the sale of Vero Electric to Florida Power and Light

Good afternoon Mr. Moran,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20170235 and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Mike Moran [<mailto:mmoran@veronet.net>]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 05, 2018 9:49 AM  
To: Records Clerk  
Subject: Reasons for not to approve the sale of Vero Electric to Florida Power and Light

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The members of the Florida Public Service Commission,

Reasons for not to approve the sale of Vero Electric to Florida Power and Light (FPL).

1. Long time ago, Indian River County and Town of Indian River Shores asked the City of Vero Beach to provide the electric services in their areas while FPL unable to provide. City of Vero Beach did so because they have to follow the preamble of the United States Constitution.
2. Indian River County and Town of Indian River Shores at the urging of local utility activists to throw the monkey wrenches at the Vero Electric (almost 100 years old) for no reason.
3. The city voters did not vote to sell (keyword) the municipal electric utility to FPL in the previous two referendums.
4. The local media (Press-Journal and Vero Beach 32963/Vero News) withholding the information about FPL's planned rate increases to the public within the Indian River County area. The publisher of Press-Journal at the time was married to FPL executive.
5. The local utility activists (one is energy hog) and the local media have been using the Goebbels method to deceive the public for almost 10 years.

6. The local utility activists' political action committees with funding from FPL to support the pro-sale candidates (current city council).
7. The mayor of Vero Beach at the time withheld the sale agreement from the public for at least 10 (ten) days.
8. The city council rushed to sign the sale agreement after the city attorney gave a public disclaimer about unable to read the sale agreement because of 500 pages in the timely manner.
9. The current city council in Vero Beach (at the urging of local utility activists) is in the current process to get rid of:
  - 1) Sell city owned properties
  - 2) Sell municipal solid waste service to private company
  - 3) Privatize municipal marina operations to private company
  - 4) Turn over municipal water and sewer utility to Indian River County
  - 5) Turn over the police department to the Indian River County Sheriff's Department
10. The local utility activists supported the county commissioner's goal of dis-incorporate the City of Vero Beach.

If you decide to approve the sale of Vero Electric to FPL, then you are enabling the residents and town council members in the Town of Indian River Shores richer and richer at the expense of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, disabled and poor Americans. Also, you are enabling the dis-incorporate of City of Vero Beach.

Thank you,

- Michael Moran  
Vero Beach, FL

CC: Florida Office of Public Counsel