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Good Afternoon:

Please place the attached letter in Docket # 20190018

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Ms. Jennifer Bramley, City Manager
Dunedin City Hall
542 Main St.
Dunedin, Florida 34698

Dear Ms. Bramley:

Thank you for your June 7 letter regarding the City of Dunedin's views on Florida utilities' energy efficiency goals.

It is a long-standing principle in Florida utility regulation that we require utilities to provide service in the most cost-effective way. We are always aware that customers want lower rates, and that a significant number of Floridians are challenged to pay all their bills each month.

In our Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act goal-setting proceedings, a major consideration is the programs' impact on rates for all customers. While conservation programs hold down rates by putting off construction of power plants and reducing consumption of fossil fuels, the programs also have substantial costs that are imposed on customers. We will again seek to set goals that optimize savings and costs so that all customers benefit. This is done through an extensive evidentiary proceeding which establishes a factual foundation for carefully weighed choices.

Public Service Commissioners are not permitted to take premature positions on matters that will come before them, but your letter will be put in the docket file for the FEECA proceeding so all Commissioners will be able to consider the City's views.

Again, thank you for sharing your timely insights. Input from leaders around the state is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Art Graham'.

Art Graham
Chairman

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