## **Antonia Hover**

From:	Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent:	Monday, August 05, 2019 4:14 PM
То:	'janestan@bellsouth.net'
Cc:	Consumer Contact
Subject:	RE: Stop utilities from making it harder to save money on bills; Docket Nos. 20190015 to 20190021

Good Afternoon, Ms. Stanko.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket Numbers 20190015 to 20190021, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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-----Original Message-----From: <u>janestan@everyactioncustom.com</u> [<u>mailto:janestan@everyactioncustom.com</u>] Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 4:11 PM To: Records Clerk Subject: Stop utilities from making it harder to save money on bills; Docket Nos. 20190015 to 20190021

Dear Clerk Florida PSC Clerk,

Florida is ground zero for sea level rise. As climate change warms Florida it will cause us to use more and more energy. Now it the time to tighten up energy efficiency before transitioning to cleaner energy. We must use a "silver buckshot" approach to meeting the energy needs of the future. The cleanest energy is the energy we dont use.

I understand that you will be setting energy savings goals for the state's largest utilities that will dictate the scale of efficiency programs I and my neighbors are offered for the next ten years. I urge you to stand up for customers by adopting goals that will meaningfully help families cut energy waste and save money on bills.

We all want to make our homes more efficient, comfortable and secure. Robust efficiency programs play a critical role to so many hard-working families in Florida that may not have the resources to upgrade their homes without the assistance of a utility program.

Efficiency helps lower bills for all customers through less fuel being burned and deferring costly future power plants. Yet, the most recent proposed utility goals continue an alarming trend of utilities abandoning customers on using energy smarter.

Florida already badly trails states nationally, including in the Southeast, in capturing energy savings for customers. Yet instead of proposing higher goals, many of the state's largest utilities have proposed goals of zero or close to zero. With

some of the highest electric bills in the nation, the utilities proposed goals, if approved, will ensure unnecessarily higher bills for hard-working families.

That's why I'm asking you to please support goals that are in line with the energy savings captured by leading states, and that will spur investments in energy efficiency to as many customers as possible. Let's not leave savings on the table.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely, Janet Stanko Jacksonville, FL 32223