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Attachments:	Rep. Eskamani Letter To PSC on Energy Effeciency.pdf

Good Afternoon, Representative Eskamani.

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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Hi!

Please see attached letter for the PSC for Docket Numbers 20190015-EG, 20190016-EG, 20190017-EG, 20190018-EG, 20190019-EG, 20190020-EG, and 20190021-EG.

Thank you!

Warmly,

Rep. Eskamani

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Mr. Adam J. Teitzman Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399 <u>clerk@psc.state.fl.us</u>

Re: Docket Numbers 20190015-EG, 20190016-EG, 20190017-EG, 20190018-EG, 20190019-EG, 20190020-EG, and 20190021-EG

Dear Mr. Teitzman,

I am grateful for the opportunity to provide comments to the Florida Public Service Commission on the abovereferenced proposed action on the development of energy efficiency targets for Florida utilities under the Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA).

Energy efficiency is an important tool to deliver economic, environmental, and health benefits to Florida and I urge the Florida Public Service Commission to set energy savings targets for utilities that ramp up to at least 1% per year.

A recent analysis from the nonprofit research organization ACEEE found that increasing utility energy efficiency programs in Florida to 1% savings as a percent of retail sales per year, could support over 105,000 jobs in the state. This level of program investment would deliver net benefits of over \$14 billion across Florida, delivering more than \$2 in benefits for every \$1 spent on programs.



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The environmental benefits for energy efficiency are plentiful. Reducing energy demand in buildings avoids the need to generate electricity and to build additional power plants, thereby reducing greenhouse gases and other pollutants emitted through the combustion of fossil fuels.

The reduction of fossil fuels not only helps us to combat climate change, it also helps to improve public health. According to ACEE, a ramp-up to 1% savings could generate over \$12 million in annual health benefits to Floridians, preventing hospital admissions due to respiratory and cardiovascular illnesses and avoiding restricted activity and costly lost workdays.

Indeed, efficiency investments in Florida are noted to deliver some of the most significant health benefits of anywhere in the country. An ACEEE analysis placed Florida among the top seven states nationwide for potential health benefits from efficiency programs, with Tampa, Miami, Orlando, and Jacksonville ranked among the top 35 cities that would see the greatest health benefits from energy efficiency.

The Sunshine State has the unique opportunity of setting a new tone when it comes to energy efficiency goals. Please establish energy savings targets for utilities that ramp up to at least 1% per year, and consider the incredible economic, environmental, and health benefits available to us if we make energy efficiency a major goal for our state.

Sincerely,

Representative Anna V. Eskamani Florida House of Representatives, District 47