Brian Schultz

From: Brian Schultz on behalf of Records Clerk **Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 5:05 PM

To: 'Venky Gopalaswamy'
Cc: Consumer Contact

Subject: RE: Stop the Electric Utilities' Boondoggle (Docket 20200092-E1)

Good Afternoon, Venky Gopalaswamy

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200092-EI and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

Brian Schultz Commission Deputy Clerk II Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399 850.413.6770

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From: AARP <aarpfl@aarp.org> On Behalf Of Venky Gopalaswamy

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 4:33 PM To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

Subject: Stop the Electric Utilities' Boondoggle (Docket 20200092-E1)

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Florida PSC PSC PSC

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Dear Florida PSC PSC,

We are in the middle of a pandemic with unemployment rampant in our state. Right now, Floridians need help making ends meet paying day-to-day expenses, including rising healthcare costs and prescription drug prices, as well as increasing rents and food costs.

What Floridians do not need now is to pay for services that benefits no more than 5 percent of ratepayers.

This is in reference to the docket number 20200092-E1. I receive my services from FP&L at my home address mentioned here.

I am writing to you regarding the state mandated utility monopolies' bad corporate citizenry in the name of Storm Protection Plans (SPP).

These Storm Protection Plans (SPP) will speed electricity restoration minimally, for only a few customers, with DRAMATIC rate increases for all. For example, it is shown that only 4% of FPL's residential customers will get their overhead powerlines undergrounded. The plans are clearly about utility profits, not storm protection.

I am writing to you to request you to keep my money in my pocket and not rubber-stamp these plans that line the pockets of investors and go against the commission's own rules (25-6-030).

The SPPs are not strategic, and do not consider any modern options for reducing grid dependence, such as: solar, batteries, or a more decentralized electricity system. Please note that I have also written to support Solar Choice in the Sunshine State (Docket: 2020-0000).

I appreciate your help in this matter by putting the residents and citizens above for-profit entities in our state.

Sincerely Venky Gopalaswamy, PhD 9627 Kenley Court, Parkland, FL 33076-4407

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