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**From:** Jacob Veaughn on behalf of Records Clerk **Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 8:51 AM

To: 'Greg Gierhart'
Cc: Consumer Contact

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

Good afternoon, Mr. Greg Gierhart

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.

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From: AARP <aarpfl@aarp.org> On Behalf Of Greg Gierhart

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 5:03 PM To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

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

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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.

Mr. Adam Teitzman, Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission (Docket 20200092-E1)

I am writing you to stop the Storm Protection Plans (SPPs). Florida's for-profit monopoly utilities are using the opportunity and incentives provided by a recently-enacted SPP state law to make massive and largely ineffective investments in Florida's electric grid.

All customers will subsidize a tiny few. Despite the SPPs massive size, few customers will experience shorter storm-related outages. For example, just 4% of FPL's residential customers and 5% of Duke Energy's will get their overhead power lines undergrounded.

The Plans are not strategic, and do not consider any modern options for reducing grid dependence, like solar, batteries, or a more decentralized electricity system.

None of the SPPs complied with the PSC's own Rules (25-6-030) for such Plans.

For these defined reasons, I urge your action to stop the SPP and keep Florida resident's electrical costs reasonable.

Thank you for your time. Sincerely,

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