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From: Ellen Plendl
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 2:29 PM
To: Consumer Correspondence
Cc: Shonna McCray
Subject: Docket No. 20200176
Attachments: FW Comm. Andrew Fay, Publ Svc Comm 060121 Duke Energy Plan; Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

See attached customer correspondence and FPSC reply for Docket No. 20200176.

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From: Office of Commissioner Fay
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 7:21 AM
To: Ellen Plendl
Subject: FW: Comm. Andrew Fay, Publ Svc Comm 060121 Duke Energy Plan

From: coppens1@juno.com [mailto:coppens1@juno.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 06, 2021 12:06 PM
To: Office of Commissioner Fay
Subject: Comm. Andrew Fay, Publ Svc Comm 060121 Duke Energy Plan

Dear Commissioner Fay, Please explain your position supporting the Duke Energy Plan for solar plants. It is hard to understand why the Public Service Commission would approve a Duke plan at \$1.8 billion for a 750 megawatt project, when it had previously approved a Fla Pwr & Light project for \$1.8 billion for 1,490 megawatts. The commission is supposed to protect the public from being taken advantage of by inefficient utilities, which are monopolies. Please acknowledge receipt of this email. JC

Thank you.

James H. Coppens, CPA 407.261.0914, coppens1@juno.com

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From: Shonna McCray
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 2:23 PM
To: 'coppens1@juno.com'
Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Mr. James H. Coppens
coppens1@juno.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1359191C

Dear Mr. Coppens:

This is in response to your E-mail to Commissioner Andrew Giles Fay, Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regarding Duke Energy Florida (DEF). Given the nature of your concerns, Commissioner Fay believes it would be appropriate for the specialized staff of the FPSC's Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach to respond directly to you.

You expressed a concern about DEF's petition for a limited proceeding to approve clean energy connection program and tariff and stipulation. On January 5, 2021, the FPSC approved the stipulated agreement on DEF's Clean Energy Connection (CEC) program. Signatories to the Stipulation are DEF, Vote Solar, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, and Walmart, Inc.

The CEC program will provide DEF customers with about 750 megawatts (MW) of new, cost-effective solar power and offer more options for qualified residents, businesses, and local governments to voluntarily participate in the program. The FPSC found the program to be in the public interest because it encourages the development of renewable energy, lessens Florida's reliance on fossil fuels, and decreases carbon emissions.

Customers can subscribe to kilowatt (kW) blocks of solar power from DEF's CEC solar portfolio. The fixed monthly subscription fee of \$8.35 per kW block will help cover the construction and operation costs of the solar power plants and is included on a customer's electric bill.

Participating customers will also receive monthly bill credits based on their subscription size and the actual solar energy produced through the program. The bill credit reflects the estimated economic value of the CEC program to DEF's system, consisting of reduced fuel, purchased power, variable O&M, and conventional pollutant and carbon emission costs. For the first 36 months of program participation, the bill credit rate will be 4.037 cents per kilowatt-hour, then the rate increases by approximately 1.5 percent every year.

The CEC program also sets aside 26 MW for low-income customers who participate in government subsidy programs or DEF's low-income energy efficiency program, and 75 MW for local governments. The program is expected to open to residential and small business customers for enrollment in 2021 with the program beginning to generate power at the start of 2022.

We appreciate your comments regarding the petition and will add your correspondence to Docket No. 20200176-EI.

If you have any questions or concerns please call Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

Shonna McCray
Regulatory Program Administrator

