

**Lisa Smith**

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**From:** Lisa Smith on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 8:55 AM  
**To:** 'mickey.castor15@gmail.com'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Public Comment on Docket #20210034 - EI

Good Morning, Mary Castor,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket 20210034-EI and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you.

Lisa Smith

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From: mickey.castor15@everyactioncustom.com <mickey.castor15@everyactioncustom.com>  
Sent: Monday, August 30, 2021 5:31 PM  
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
Subject: Public Comment on Docket #20210034 - EI

Dear Public Service Commission,

As a resident of Florida, I urge you to decline TECO's rate increase petition, which would create an unnecessary and excessive burden on utility customers at a time when many Floridians can least afford to pay more for their unavoidable daily expenses.

As a social worker for 26 years, I had direct contact with citizens who had trouble paying their power bills in a time without a pandemic. Please do not add to their burden, especially during this time when so many are struggling to keep a roof over their family's head.

TECO is trying to charge customers like us for a range of projects we do not want or need. TECO does not need to spend billions of our dollars to build a new fossil fuel unit at the Big Bend powerplant that will pollute our environment for years to come.

Please do not put TECO's desire to maximize profits over our need to power our homes affordably.

Thank you!

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Como residente de Florida, le insto a que rechace la petición de aumento de tarifas de TECO, que crearía una carga innecesaria y excesiva para los clientes de servicios públicos en un momento en que muchos floridianos no pueden pagar más por sus gastos diarios.

TECO está tratando de cobrar a clientes como nosotros por una variedad de proyectos que no queremos ni necesitamos. TECO no necesita gastar millones de nuestros dólares para construir una nueva unidad de combustible fósil en la central eléctrica de Big Bend que contaminará nuestro medio ambiente en los próximos años.

Por favor, no anteponga el deseo de TECO de maximizar las ganancias a nuestra necesidad de alimentar nuestros hogares de manera asequible.

¡Gracias!

Sincerely,  
Mary Castor  
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