

**Antonia Hover**

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**From:** Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 13, 2022 4:32 PM  
**To:** 'WESSLING.MARY'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Florida City Gas

Good Afternoon, Mary Wessling.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket Number 20220069, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

Toni Hover  
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-----Original Message-----

From: WESSLING.MARY <Wessling.Mary@leg.state.fl.us>  
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 4:23 PM  
To: Walter Trierweiler <wtrierwe@psc.state.fl.us>; Matthew Jones <majones@psc.state.fl.us>; Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
Cc: 'Christopher T. Wright' <christopher.wright@fpl.com>; 'Joel Baker' <joel.baker@fpl.com>; 'Beth Keating' <BKeating@gunster.com>  
Subject: FW: Florida City Gas

Hello Everyone,

I just received this email from an FCG customer. Would you please add these comments to the docket?

Thanks,  
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From: Maria Martinez <wesak@ymail.com>  
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 4:15 PM

To: Gentry, Richard <GENTRY.RICHARD@leg.state.fl.us>; WESSLING.MARY <Wessling.Mary@leg.state.fl.us>  
Subject: Florida City Gas

Regarding the hearing tomorrow for Florida City Gas rate increase, please consider:

1. I understand costs are up everywhere and salaries for workers might need increase too, but increasing each home's bill by \$8.00 - \$10.00 per month is excessive.
2. Many of Florida residents are retirees on a fixed budget and at an age where no one would offer us employment even part time. That increase amount would cover eggs, bread, rice and beans for at least a week.
3. Most of the charges in our FCG bills are service charges and taxes. E.g. my gas consumption is usually \$3.32 but there is a service charge of \$12.00, an energy charge of \$3.09, a safe charge of \$3.17, a utility tax of \$1.88 and a gross receipts tax of \$0.21. So my monthly bill is around \$23.67 and does not fluctuate much. I only use gas for the water heater. I live alone in a small apartment. This really kills the concept that gas is less expensive than electricity.
4. On this budget I see no logic to receive an \$8.00 or \$10.00 rate increase 5. Lastly but very important, if that increase is approved, I would have to close my gas account. Simply cannot afford it.

Hope this serves a purpose as I know many other retirees are struggling with increased costs in everything. And hope you can do something about it.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sent from my iPhone