

Hiep Nguyen

From: Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 11:53 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket No. 20220069
Attachments: RE Florida City Gas Hearings

Please place the attached in Docket No. 20220069.

Thank you!

Hiep Nguyen

From: Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 11:52 AM
To: 'Maria Martinez'
Subject: RE: Florida City Gas Hearings

Dear Ms. Martinez:

Thank you for your email, dated September 14, 2022, which Commissioner Passidomo has received. The Commission Clerk will place a copy of your email in Docket No. 20220069-GU, Petition for rate increase by Florida City Gas. We appreciate you providing the Commission with your comments.

Sincerely,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Maria Martinez <wesak@ymail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 11:42 AM
To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa <Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Graham <Commissioner.Graham@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; Commissioner.Ckark@psc.state.fl.us; Office of Commissioner Passidomo <Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>
Subject: Florida City Gas Hearings

>> Regarding the hearings for Florida City Gas rate increase, please consider:

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- >>> 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 basic 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. What I pay in taxes and service fees is already excessive. 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.
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- >>> 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.
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- >>> Respectfully submitted,
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