

Antonia Hover

From: Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2022 11:00 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket No. 20220001
Attachments: Docket No. 20220001-EI; Docket No. 20220001-EI Reject the new electric rate hikes!;
Docket No. 20220001-EI No new electric rate hikes!

Please place the attached in Docket No. 20220001.

Thank you!

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From: Katerina Coumbaros <katerina@opatoro.com>
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2022 10:44 AM
To: Records Clerk
Cc: Office of Chairman Fay; Office of Commissioner La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Subject: Docket No. 20220001-EI

I am a customer of Duke Energy Florida. I understand that the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) is considering a request by Duke Energy Florida to increase its rate for 2023 due to “volatile” fluctuations of natural gas prices. Duke's electricity rate per KWH is currently 29% higher than FP&L (see below) and Duke is now asking for another 15% for 2023, the highest increase of the three monopoly power companies seeking a rate increase. Duke already charges more per KWH than the other two, large investor-owned electric utility companies in Florida (source: Sept. 2022 issue of Florida Trend Magazine): Duke Energy - \$201.32/1,500 KWH FP&L - \$156.81/1,500 KWH Tampa Electric – \$175.17/1,500 KWH Non-investor owned near me: OUC - \$169.25/1,500 KWH Kissimmee - \$173.59/1,500 KWH The FPSC Commissioners need to be asking, "How can Duke Energy justify asking for even more money from their captive customers when they already charge the highest rate compared to all the other major electricity utilities in Florida?" Rather, the Commissioners should tell this public monopoly utility to look harder for cost savings and new efficiencies, and reduce their profit margin rather than asking for even more money from their captive customers. I strongly urge the FPSC Commission to reject this rate increase request.

Thank you,
Katerina

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Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo,

Docket No. 20220001-EI

I am an electricity customer in Florida. I received notification that you will soon be considering proposals from FPL, Duke and Tampa Electric to increase my electricity rates next year.

This is outrageous. These companies have made windfall profits over the last few years, and yet each time they go crying to you, you have approved their rate increases. No amount is too high, apparently. When will you stand up for your own mission of setting fair rates for consumers in Florida?

Another electricity rate increase is the last thing we need, especially for vulnerable folks who may be on a fixed income or struggling to recover financially from the pandemic. We are all inundated with price increases on everything.

I urge you to reject these rate increases.

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From: Allison Drummond <seminolealli@comcast.net>
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Subject: Docket No. 20220001-EI: No new electric rate hikes!

Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo,

Docket No. 20220001-EI

I am writing as a concerned Florida resident and a electricity customer. I received notification that FPL, Duke and Tampa Electric intend to increase rates for customers like me. I am urging you to rethink this decision and not increase our bills.

This past year has been extremely challenging financially for many people in the state of Florida. A rate increase is the last thing we need, especially for vulnerable folks who may be on a fixed income or struggling to recover financially from the pandemic. We are all inundated with price increases on everything.

I urge you to reject these outrageous rate increases at this time.

It's not JUST the rates, as I'm sure you're aware, FPL is being NEFARIOUS with their (OUR) money.

Why are you deferring to billionaire businesses when Floridians can't afford to live?

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