

**Lorena Hollett**

**From:** Lorena Hollett on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Friday, March 3, 2023 8:01 AM  
**To:** 'hilkida@yahoo.com'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Docket No. 20200181; Put us on a path to lower power bills through energy efficiency

Good morning, Barbara Ida.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200181, and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Regards,

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

From: hilkida@everyactioncustom.com <hilkida@everyactioncustom.com>  
Sent: Friday, March 3, 2023 12:47 AM  
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
Subject: Docket No. 20200181; Put us on a path to lower power bills through energy efficiency

Dear Florida PSC Commissioners,

Floridians are paying power bills that are higher than ever with no incentives to reduce usage. I am one who makes a point of being economical with my electrical usage, which made me able to afford a fairly small number of rooftop solar panels that cover all my needs. My usage remains within my solar generation all year around thanks to those energy saving programs that I institute along with my own economy of usage. I do this to reduce the use of fossil fuels to combat climate change. But I, along with less informed neighbors, am subject to this series of rate hikes with no intervention on our behalf by the Public Service Commission. And it is your job to represent the public interest. Apparently you do not share my goals for energy consumers and the planet.

My base bill already rose 250% plus tax. Did no one notice that this encourages people like me to increase our electricity usage since we are paying for it anyway? To represent the public interest you would be protecting us from the hardship of increased rates and protecting our well being through climate change mitigation. But apparently you have short turn goals of excessive profit and environmental exploitation in mind.

Paying sky-high electricity bills isn't sustainable for many Floridians – but there is an opportunity to change the course we're on. Please put us on a path to lower bills by adopting an energy efficiency rule that will provide greater access to energy saving programs for hard working families.

Access to meaningful energy efficiency programs can help customers most in need manage higher power bills. Additionally, using energy smarter saves the utility money by reducing the amount of fuel burned to generate electricity

– an economic benefit for all customers. It's a win-win solution that can only be realized if you modernize your rule to discourage outdated practices that depress energy efficiency potential and reward energy waste.

So please put a stop to these unnecessary rate hikes and adopt an energy efficiency rule that makes Florida a leader in capturing energy savings for families and businesses. Let's modernize our practices to put energy savings to work for Florida's families, businesses, and the state.

cc: Governor DeSantis

Sincerely,  
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