# CORRESPONDENCE 4/13/2023 DOCUMENT NO. 02648-2023

## **Antonia Hover**

From: Ellen Plendl

**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2023 8:43 AM **To:** Consumer Correspondence

**Subject:** Docket Nos. 20230001 & 20230020

**Attachments:** FW: Say no to Duke constant electricity increases; Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy

Florida

See attached customer correspondence and reply for Docket Nos. 20230001 & 20230020

#### **Antonia Hover**

From: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>

**Sent:** Monday, April 10, 2023 12:00 PM

**To:** EOG-Referral

**Subject:** FW: Say no to Duke constant electricity increases

Please find attached email received by the Governor's Office of Citizen Services. This email is forwarded to your office for review and any response or action appropriate.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Martha Lynn
Office of Citizen Services
Executive Office of the Governor

From: Robert Piskilidis <robert.piskilidis@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 4:28 PM

**To:** GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com **Subject:** Say no to Duke constant electricity increases

### Constituent message:

1. Name

**Robert Piskilidis** 

2. Email Address

robert.piskilidis@gmail.com

3. **Phone Number** 7272265374

4. Subject

Say no to Duke constant electricity increases

5. Message

Governor

Thank you for single-handedly saving the solar energy industry in the state this past April. If Duke energy owns the majority of legislators in Tallahassee they don't own you.

Duke energy already raised rates from .15 cents a kWh to .175 cents to .20 a kWh in the last 6 months. Now they are asking for another increase. Tell the Public Service Commission enough is enough no more increases. 77% of their electricity Duke produces comes from natural gas and natural gas prices in the last 6 months went from 10 cents a cubic foot to 2 cents. The new increase is unjustified.

- 6. Attach file (optional)
- 7. User IP Address

35.139.18.207

8. Date Submitted

07/03/2023

9. Time Submitted

4:27:39 pm, EST

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### **Antonia Hover**

From: Shonna McCray

**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2023 8:42 AM **To:** 'robert.piskilidis@gmail.com'

Cc: Ellen Plendl

**Subject:** Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Mr. Robert Piskilidis robert.piskilidis@gmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1419701E

Dear Mr. Piskilidis:

The Governor's office forwarded a copy of your email regarding Duke Energy Florida (DEF) to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC). The FPSC regulates investor-owned electric, and natural gas utilities throughout the state, and investor-owned water and wastewater utilities in those counties which have opted to transfer jurisdiction to the FPSC. The FPSC has authority in the telephone industry which is limited to the Lifeline Assistance Program, Florida Relay Service, and pay telephone service. We appreciate the opportunity to respond directly to you.

You expressed a concern about recent rate increases. On March 7, 2023, the FPSC approved a mid-course correction to the fuel factors and granted preliminary interim storm restoration charge for DEF.

The adjusted fuel factors reflect unrecovered fuel costs incurred in 2022. The interim storm restoration recovery charges are costs associated with named storms and will replenish each utility's storm reserve fund. Interim storm restoration charges are approved for a 12-month recovery period and are subject to refund, with interest, pending further review once the total actual costs are known for each utility.

Utilities do not earn a profit on fuel charges. The fuel and capacity cost component of customers' bills is set for each calendar year, but mid-course corrections are used when a utility's costs increase or decrease significantly in the interim. Under Commission rules, a utility must notify the PSC when it expects an under- or over-recovery greater than 10 percent.

DEF's approved charges include the new fuel factor to be recovered over 21 months and the preliminary approval for recovery of \$442.1 million in interim storm restoration costs for Hurricanes Elsa, Eta, Ian, Isaias, and Nicole, and Tropical Storm Fred.

We appreciate you sharing your views and will add your correspondence to both Dockets 20230001 and 20230020 regarding the mid-course correction and the storm restoration recovery, respectively.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Ms. Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

Shonna McCray Regulatory Program Administrator Florida Public Service Commission