## **Charlie Smith**

From: Charlie Smith on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Wednesday, June 5, 2024 4:35 PM

To: 'L Clark'

**Cc:** Consumer Contact

Subject: RE: Keep Duke Rates Down Docket #20240025

Good afternoon L Clark,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20240025, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Best regards,

## Charlie Smith II

Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 850-413-6770

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Subject: Keep Duke Rates Down Docket #20240025

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Dear PSC Member,

As a concerned Duke Energy customer I am writing to express my opposition to Duke Energy's proposed rate increase. The proposed 27% increases over the next three years will negatively impact Florida residents, particularly the most vulnerable among us. Most of us will not see a 27% wage increase, a 27% decrease in food/cost of living prices, or a 27% decrease in ANYTHING.

With the rising costs of living, including healthcare and housing, a hike in utility rates would decrease our quality of life.

I ask that you prioritize the interests of consumers over corporate greed and reject Duke Energy's proposed increase to the return on equity and fixed customer charge. This is pure profit that customers should not have to pay for. Now more than ever, it is crucial to ensure that essential services remain affordable and accessible to all Floridians.

Thank you for your careful consideration to this matter.

Sincerely,

L Clark 1646 S Lake Ave Apt 2 Clearwater FL, 33756-1368