

**Brian Schultz**

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**From:** Brian Schultz on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 7:16 AM  
**To:** 'Kimberly Lowe'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Keep Duke Rates Down Docket #20240025

Good Morning,

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

Sincerely,

*Brian Schultz*

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Florida Public Service Commission  
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**From:** kimberly236sun@gmail.com@mg.gospringboard.io <kimberly236sun@gmail.com@mg.gospringboard.io> **On Behalf Of** Kimberly Lowe  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 4:46 PM  
**To:** Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
**Subject:** Keep Duke Rates Down Docket #20240025

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Dear PSC Member,

As a concerned Duke Energy customer [and AARP member in Florida], I am writing to express my opposition to Duke Energy's proposed rate increase.

I urge you to carefully consider the impact of a rate increase on Florida residents, particularly the most vulnerable among us. With the rising costs of living, including healthcare and housing, a hike in utility rates would significantly 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 Floridians. I'd also like to mention

that life long and long term residents have been your bread and butter for years and it is not fair that we pay for unwanted growth or new residents! We do not make the wages that transfers from Northern states make and cannot afford the increase especially on top of huge inflation, increases on everything including mortgages, taxes, insurance, utilities, food, etc.

Thank you for your careful consideration to this matter.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Lowe  
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