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**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2024 4:38 PM

To: 'Theresa Badurek'
Cc: Consumer Contact

**Subject:** RE: public comment, docket number 20240025 - El

Good Afternoon, Theresa Badurek.

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.

Thank you!

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From: Theresa Badurek <tmgwaves@yahoo.com>

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Subject: public comment, docket number 20240025 - EI

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To whom it may concern,

Increasing energy rates are already putting Florida families in financial stress. The idea that Duke wants to increase them again is absurd. If they want to maintain a healthy base of energy customers they should consider this over shareholder interest in greater profits. In the rate disclosures they should also include their profits. If they are losing money perhaps we would understand coming back to us for more. I highly doubt this is the case.

From <u>Duke Energy Gross Profit 2010-2024 | DUK:</u>

**Duke Energy Gross Profit 2010-2024 | DUK** 

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Duke Energy annual/quarterly gross profit history and growth rate from 2010 to 2024. Gross profit can be defined as the profit a company makes after deducting the variable costs directly associated with making and selling its products or providing its services.

- Duke Energy gross profit for the quarter ending March 31, 2024 was \$5.104B, a 10.93% increase yearover-year.
- Duke Energy gross profit for the twelve months ending March 31, 2024 was \$19.884B, a 6.91% increase year-over-year.
- Duke Energy annual gross profit for 2023 was \$19.381B, a 3.59% increase from 2022.
- Duke Energy annual gross profit for 2022 was \$18.71B, a 5.94% increase from 2021.
- Duke Energy annual gross profit for 2021 was \$17.661B, a 4.78% increase from 2020.

Duke energy does not appear to be struggling to turn a profit.

In Florida the focus should be on solar energy. We citizens should have the right to produce our own energy without paying into a grid if we don't use it. Net metering (allowed in many other states) should also be allowed. If we have to pay you for energy, you should have to pay us too.

Secondary to that, we should be moving our grid underground for storm resilience.

If Duke expects us to pay more, we should be getting more in return.

Please consider the many Florida citizens in dire financial straits right now- mostly due to corporate greed. Electricity is a need, not a luxury, and should be offered at a reasonable rate.

Thank you for allowing our input, although I have no faith that anyone cares.

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