

Charlie Smith

From: John Plescow
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2024 3:07 PM
To: Consumer Correspondence; Consina Griffin-Greaux
Subject: FW: docket 20240026
Attachments: TECO information & Comments regarding Rate increases Docket # 20240026-EI; FW: TECO information & Comments regarding Rate increases Docket # 20240026-EI; TECO Rate Increase Proposal

Please, add to docket 20240026.

From: Consina Griffin-Greaux <CGriffin@psc.state.fl.us>
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2024 3:03 PM
To: John Plescow <JPlescow@PSC.STATE.FL.US>
Subject: docket 20240026

John,

Please forward to clerk's office. Docket 20240026....

Thanks

C'Greaux

Charlie Smith

From: william@tytke.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2024 9:35 AM
To: Timothy Sparks; Consumer Contact
Subject: TECO information & Comments regarding Rate increases Docket # 20240026-EI

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From: William Tytke
Subject: TECO information & Comments regarding Rate increases Docket # 20240026-EI
TO: Tim Sparks tsparks@psc.state.fl.us
CC: Commission's Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach contact@psc.state.fl.us

Hello,

My Comments to PSC concerning TECO's Approval for a Rate Adjustment Increase I am TECO (Emera Company) customer in Hillsborough Company and gone through very significant (+60%) increases in TECO (Emera) charges since 2020. They have added significant new charges and increased the "Basic Service Charge" dramatically and now are proposing new fuel rate increases and a 50% increase in Basic Rates Charges for 2025 leading to a 62% increase by 2027. JUST this one charge (Basic Service Charge) alone will increase a TECO residential customer's bill from \$259.15/year to \$430.70/year (2027) without a single Watt of power being used. I am pleading to this commission to stop whatever increases to the Basic Service Charge, in fact, I would like to see this charge eliminated and redistributed to be based upon a customer usage format.

By increasing this basic "flat" charge, a person's investment in energy saving methods ends up not being reflected on their energy bill, therefore, removing the incentive and desire to incorporate energy saving items in their home every time this charge increases. This action can lead to higher energy usage putting greater stresses on our grid, especially in fast-growing areas such as Hillsborough County.

For the last decade, many other state's commissions have trended to drastically reduced or prevented increases completely to these "fixed" charges. Even California has rejected completely an increase to fixed charges for their three big energy companies for 2025. Again, please deny Teco's Emera Company the request to increase their Basic "Fixed" Charges.

Thank you,
William Tytke
Email: William@Tytke.com

Charlie Smith

From: Timothy Sparks
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2024 9:37 AM
To: CAO - Bureau of Consumer Assistance
Subject: FW: TECO information & Comments regarding Rate increases Docket # 20240026-EI

Good Morning,

See below regarding docket # 20240026.

Thanks,
Tim

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

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William Tytke

Email: William@Tytke.com

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From: Janet L. Stanko <janestan@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2024 2:09 PM
To: Consumer Contact
Subject: TECO Rate Increase Proposal

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I am writing to ask you to deny the increase to consumer electric rates as proposed by TECO. TECO has had 3 rate increases in the last 2 years. We consumers should not have to bear a greater burden because TECO wants to shift costs from the industrial/commercial market to consumers.

With increasing temperatures, we need to protect consumers' ability to afford their power bills and keep the electricity on. As news stories of people dying in their homes due to unaffordable electricity costs will reflect on you, the decision maker in this rate case.

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