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From: Jenae Thornberry on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Thursday, January 9, 2025 1:07 PM
To: 'Brigitte Rehberg'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Docket Number 20240099-EI

Good Afternoon ,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20240099, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you.

Jenae Thornberry

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Good morning:

Please find attached a letter signed by the Chairman of our Board of County Commissioners expressing the Board's opposition to the rate increase proposed by Florida Public Utilities. Don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or require any clarification.

Thank you,



Brigitte Rehberg

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Dear Commissioners:

On behalf of the Jackson County Board of County Commissioners, we write to express our strenuous opposition to the rate increase proposed by Florida Public Utilities. Jackson County is a fiscally constrained county, and our residents have been deeply affected by the long-lasting impacts of Hurricane Michael and the ongoing inflation.

Many of the residents within Florida Public Utilities' service area are very low income and already struggle to make ends meet. The proposed rate increase would result in significantly higher utility bills, which they simply cannot afford. The additional financial burden would exacerbate the already challenging circumstances faced by our community.

We urge the Florida Public Service Commission to carefully consider the adverse effects that the proposed rate increase will have on our residents. We respectfully request that you do not grant the rate increase proposed by the utility.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,

Jamey Westbrook
Chairman, Jackson County Board of County Commissioners

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