# CORRESPONDENCE 2/5/2025 DOCUMENT NO. 00684-2025

# **Charlie Smith**

From: Ellen Plendl

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 5, 2025 9:25 AM

**To:** Consumer Correspondence **Subject:** Docket No. 20240173

**Attachments:** FW: Duke energy rise in rates; Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida; FW: Today's

Utility Rate Hike for Duke Energy Customers; Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

See attached customer correspondence and reply for Docket No. 20240173.

From: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 5, 2025 8:30 AM

To: Ellen Plendl

**Subject:** FW: Duke energy rise in rates

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Please find attached email received by the Governor's Office of Citizen Services. This email is forwarded to your office for review and any response or action appropriate.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Martha Lynn Office of Citizen Services Executive Office of the Governor

From: Carl Higgins <carlhiggins65@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 2:44 AM
To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com

Subject: Duke energy rise in rates

### **Submitted**

Wed, 02/05/2025 - 07:43

## **Sender Information**

Carl Higgins carlhiggins65@gmail.com 7275246870

## **Subject**

Duke energy rise in rates

## Message

Still trying to recover from hurricanes the last thing we need is a rate increase electric bill Duke energy

## **IP Address**

172.56.100.251

## **User Agent**

Mozilla/5.0 (Linux; Android 10; K) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/120.0.0.0 Mobile Safari/537.36

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From: Shonna McCray

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 5, 2025 9:19 AM

**To:** 'carlhiggins65@gmail.com'

Cc: Ellen Plendl

**Subject:** Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Mr. Carl Higgins

carlhiggins65@gmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1463963C

Dear Mr. Higgins:

The Governor's office forwarded a copy of your email regarding Duke Energy Florida (DEF) to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC). The FPSC regulates investor-owned electric, and natural gas utilities throughout the state, and investor-owned water and wastewater utilities in those counties which have opted to transfer jurisdiction to the FPSC. The FPSC has authority in the telephone industry which is limited to the Lifeline Assistance Program, Florida Relay Service, and pay telephone service. We appreciate the opportunity to respond directly to you.

You expressed concern about DEF's petition for limited proceeding for recovery of incremental storm restoration costs related to Hurricanes Debby, Helene and Milton.

On February 4, 2025, the FPSC approved interim storm restoration recovery costs related to Hurricanes Debby, Helene, and Milton for DEF. The Commission also approved the utility's requests to replenish its storm reserve.

The approval of an interim storm restoration charge is preliminary in nature and is subject to refund, with interest, pending further Commission review once final audited costs are known. Final costs will be determined following a future Commission hearing.

DEF's approved interim recovery is \$1.09 billion and meets the provisions of its 2024 Settlement Agreement. The monthly bill impact per 1,000 kWh for a DEF residential customer is \$32.40. The surcharge will appear on a customer's bill for 12 months, beginning March 2025-February 2026.

We will add your comments to Docket 20240173 regarding the petition.

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If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

Shonna McCray Regulatory Program Administrator Florida Public Service Commission

From: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 2:14 PM

To: Ellen Plendl

**Subject:** FW: Today's Utility Rate Hike for Duke Energy Customers

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Executive Office of the Governor

**From:** matthew Lewis <mjlew73@hotmail.com> **Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 1:20 PM **To:** GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com

Subject: Today's Utility Rate Hike for Duke Energy Customers

### **Submitted**

Tue, 02/04/2025 - 18:19

### **Sender Information**

matthew Lewis mjlew73@hotmail.com 7272079415

## **Subject**

Today's Utility Rate Hike for Duke Energy Customers

## Message

Mr Governor, I like many others on the gulf coast have taken a beating this year and in addition to increased costs due to inflation, we are seeing our insurance rates go thru the roof. Imagine my frustration when I see this morning that the Public Service Commission approved a temporary rate increase for Duke. Seriously!? Fix the property insurance fiasco and stop letting these "Commissions" side with the deep pockets!!

## **IP Address**

165.225.223.54

## **User Agent**

Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/132.0.0.0 Safari/537.36

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From: Ellen Plendl

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 5, 2025 9:22 AM

**To:** 'mjlew73@hotmail.com'

**Subject:** Consumer Inquiry - Duke Energy Florida

Mr. Matthew Lewis mjlew73@hotmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1463924C

Dear Mr. Lewis:

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Sincerely,

Ellen Plendl
Regulatory Analyst IV
Florida Public Service Commission
Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach

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