# CORRESPONDENCE 3/14/2025 DOCUMENT NO. 01761-2025

## **Charlie Smith**

From: Office of Chairman La Rosa

Sent: Friday, March 14, 2025 9:42 AM

To: Commissioner Correspondence

Subject: Docket Correspondence - 20250011

Attachments: Reject FPL's Rate Hike – Hold In-District Hearings for Public Input; Reject FPL's Rate

Hike – Hold In-District Hearings for Public Input; Reject FPL's Rate Hike – Hold In-District Hearings for Public Input; Reject FPL's Unprecedented \$10 Billion Rate Hike – Protect Florida Families; Re: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company; Reject

FPL's Unprecedented \$10 Billion Rate Hike – Protect Florida Families

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Good morning,

Please place the attached emails in CORRESPONDENCE – Consumers & Representatives in docket 20250011.

Thank you.

**From:** jenferre@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jennifer Ferre

<jenferre@everyactioncustom.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, March 13, 2025 10:21 PM

**To:** Office of Chairman La Rosa

**Subject:** Reject FPL's Rate Hike – Hold In-District Hearings for Public Input

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Dear Commissioner Mike La Rosa,

Adam Teitzman, Commission Clerk
Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No.20250011 -EI

Petition by Florida Power & Light Company for Base Rate Increase

I am writing to formally request that The Commission hold in-district hearings regarding Docket No. 20250011 (Petition for Rate Increase by Florida Power & Light Company) to ensure that the public has a fair opportunity to weigh in on this critical decision.

Some FPL customers have already seen their bills increase by 60% in the last five years, and now the company is asking to increase rates by almost \$9 billion over the next five years, all while Floridians struggle to afford basic necessities. FPL is ranked 52 out of 53 by the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy of utilities nationwide in terms of helping customers reduce power bills with efficiency and conservation programs. Approving this rate hike would only reward corporate greed at the expense of millions of hard-working Floridians.

I urge you to reject this request to ensure that consumers, not corporate profits, remain your priority. Holding in-district hearings will allow impacted residents to voice their concerns and hold FPL accountable. I appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,
Ms. Jennifer Ferre
860 NW 86th Ave Plantation, FL 33324-1246 jenferre@outlook.com

**From:** fabienne.polycarpe@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Fabienne Polycarpe

<fabienne.polycarpe@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2025 6:40 PM

**To:** Office of Chairman La Rosa

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Sincerely,

Ms. Fabienne Polycarpe

1791 SW 119th Ave Miramar, FL 33025-5632 fabienne.polycarpe@icloud.com

From: matt.cacciaguida@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Matthew Cacciaguida

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 13, 2025 6:08 PM

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Sincerely, Mr. Matthew Cacciaguida 7285 SW 90th St Miami, FL 33156-1656 matt.cacciaguida@gmail.com

From: lalaloopsyfan4@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Seraphina Mckenzie

<lalaloopsyfan4@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2025 3:24 PM

**To:** Office of Chairman La Rosa

Subject: Reject FPL's Unprecedented \$10 Billion Rate Hike – Protect Florida Families

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Dear Florida Public Service Chair Mike La Rosa,

I am writing to strongly urge you to reject Florida Power and Light's (FPL) proposed \$10 billion rate hike—the largest in U.S. history. Approving this increase would be a devastating blow to Florida families, many of whom are already struggling with rising living costs. This past year, this Commission has already failed residents by allowing TECO's rate hikes, and we cannot afford another reckless decision that prioritizes corporate profits over public well-being. Electricity is not a luxury—it is a life-saving necessity in Florida. With extreme heat, hurricanes, and severe weather events, access to affordable power is essential for survival. A rate increase of this magnitude would force seniors, low-income families, and working-class residents to choose between paying their electric bills and affording food, rent, or medical care. No one should have to make such impossible choices just to keep the lights on.

Beyond the financial hardship, this increase also carries serious environmental consequences. Instead of investing in clean, affordable renewable energy, FPL continues to expand its reliance on fossil fuels, worsening extreme weather patterns and increasing pollution. These impacts disproportionately harm low-income communities and communities of color, who already experience higher energy burdens and environmental health risks. If FPL truly needed more funding, it should focus on sustainable energy solutions, not passing costs onto struggling residents.

The Florida Public Service Commission has a responsibility to serve the public, not corporate monopolies. FPL is a monopoly, meaning Floridians have no choice but to pay whatever rates are approved. If this rate hike is allowed, it will set a dangerous precedent, opening the door for further unchecked increases that will push even more families into a financial crisis.

I urge you to reject this historic \$10 billion rate hike and stand with the people of Florida. The residents of this state deserve fair and affordable electricity—not price gouging from utility giants.

Sincerely,

Mx. Seraphina Mckenzie

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From: charley7722@aol.com

Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2025 3:04 PM

**To:** Shirley Stealey

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Re: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

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Mrs. Shirley Stealey, Treasurer District 2 Hollywood, Fl.

Good Afternoon!

**Subject:** 

I am well aware of the information as stated below that was forwarded to you.

In the interim the primary objective at this time is to flood the FPSC, as per the

Outrageous FPL request for a \$9B rate increase! <<<<

I have copied many Hollywood Civic Associations, and also pertinent individuals to request their input a few days ago,

and to date your the only one who has shown a legitimate concern. <<<<

Hello General Public ? Please Speak Up. (Thank You) <<<<

Many Thanks.

Kind Regards.

Michael J. Walsh

Area Spokesman

US Navy Veteran Member I.D. 1194721044

West Hollywood, Fl. (District 4)

On Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 09:47:43 AM EDT, Shirley Stealey < highlandgardens7@bellsouth.net> wrote:

Hi Michael,

Here's what I got about the FPL charge. I understand what they are doing even if I don't agree. It's a form of discrimination just like this city's PEN program. I'm going to send a message to Josh about that.

Shirley

Visit our website at the following: <a href="http://domania.us/highlandgardens/index.html">http://domania.us/highlandgardens/index.html</a>

A government big enough to give you everything you want is big enough to take away everything you have.

Fear not tomorrow, God is already there.

---- Forwarded Message -----

From: Shonna McCray <smccray@psc.state.fl.us>

To: 'highlandgardens7@bellsouth.net' <highlandgardens7@bellsouth.net>

Cc: Ellen Plendl <eplendl@psc.state.fl.us>

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at 08:07:11 AM EDT **Subject:** Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Ms. Shirley Stealey

highlandgardens7@bellsouth.net

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1466186C <<<<

Dear Ms. Stealey:

This email is in response to your E-mail to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regarding Florida Power & Light (FPL) and the minimum bill charge<<<<<.

The Florida Public Service Commission approved Florida Power & Light Company's general base rate settlement agreement in Order No. PSC-2021-0446-S-EI, issued on December 2, 2021, in Docket No. 20210015-EI. The settlement agreement was entered into by FPL and various parties representing consumers, including the Office of the Public Counsel OPC who advocates on behalf of Florida consumers. The settlement agreement includes numerous provisions with regards to FPL's base rates through the end of 2025 <<<<

The agreement also contained a provision that raised the minimum bill charge to \$25 for all residential and general service non-demand customers. The minimum bill provision went into effect in May 2022, once FPL's billing system modifications were completed. FPL notified its customers of the new minimum bill in bill inserts 30 days prior to its implementation.

The minimum monthly bill does not replace the existing customer charge; instead, FPL will only charge the minimum bill when a customer's total monthly bill does not exceed \$ 25.excluding any taxes or other additional charges.????

FPL explained that the minimum bill provision was included in the settlement agreement to ensure that all residential and general service non-demand customers contribute towards fixed costs of maintaining the electric system, costs which exist as a result of serving even limited amounts of energy to customers. The Commission approved the settlement agreement as being in the public interest when taken as a whole, and providing a comprehensive and balanced resolution to FPL's original petition for a base rate increase that provides rate stability for FPL's customers. <<<<

We have added your concerns to our files as a protest to the FPL's Rate Case, docket 20210015.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Ellen Plendl at 1-800-342-3552.

Sincerely,

Shonna McCray
Regulatory Program Administrator
Florida Public Service Commission

From: xavierjmckenzie@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Xavier Mckenzie

<xavierjmckenzie@everyactioncustom.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, March 13, 2025 12:54 PM

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Sincerely, Mr. Xavier Mckenzie FELDSPAR Trl Orlando, FL 32826 xavierjmckenzie@gmail.com