

**Brian Schultz**

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**From:** Brian Schultz on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, March 24, 2025 7:21 AM  
**To:** 'Donald Stich'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: FPL request to raise rates..

Good morning,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20250011, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

*Brian Schultz*

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**From:** Donald Stich <donald.r.stich@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 22, 2025 9:05 PM  
**To:** Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
**Subject:** FPL request to raise rates..

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My bill has already risen over 100 dollars with FPL. Along with all the other increases in living costs, I am almost at the point that I am going to have to use what savings I have to buy gas and groceries.

With the rising costs of everything from eggs to rent and insurance, Floridians are already struggling to make ends meet. And now, FPL is pushing for the largest rate hike in U.S. history—just as our state recovers from last year’s devastating hurricanes. FPL wants to raise rates by nearly \$10 billion over the next four years, burdening over 5 million households in its monopoly-service area, including millions throughout the State of Florida. In the last five years, FPL customers have already seen their bills rise by over \$400 annually, and if this latest proposal is approved, we’ll be paying hundreds of dollars more each year. Meanwhile, FPL continues to make massive profits, while Florida families are left to shoulder the costs of their record-breaking rate hikes. As a for-profit company, FPL has pushed for an 11.9% return on equity, far above the national industry average of 9.6%. Their financial gains are coming at the expense of our wallets. We have to take action before things get worse. We need your help to demand that the PSC holds in-district rate hearings, where the public can voice

their concerns about FPL's rate hike. We also want to let PSC that we do not want rate increases - we can't afford them. Please take a moment to send a comment to the PSC urging them to hold in-district hearings, and listen to the people who will be directly impacted by this hike and to NOT approve the rate hike. Our leaders must take a stand for families, not for profits. Here's a template you can use or feel free to create your own. Email to [CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US](mailto:CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US) Subject: Reject FPL's Rate Hike - Hold In-District Hearings for Public Input Re: Docket No.20250011 -El 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. We are asking that, at a minimum, host 4 public hearings in the panhandle of Florida - Pensacola, Fort Walton Beach/Destin, Panama City, and Tallahassee. 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.

Thank you for your time.

Donald Stich  
Navarre Fl