

Bendria Fugnole

From: Ellen Plendl
Sent: Friday, December 19, 2025 7:55 AM
To: Consumer Correspondence
Subject: Docket No 20250011
Attachments: Re: Why does Florida have such expensive electricity?

See attached customer correspondence for Docket 20250011.

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From: Darrell Phenicie <dwphen@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2025 5:54 PM
To: Ellen Plendl
Subject: Re: Why does Florida have such expensive electricity?

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Thank you for your continued support. You need to keep ahead of accusations in the media that Advocate Groups of Florida Residents were not allowed at the FPSC meetings while Walmart and other users of electricity WERE ALLOW and were given discounts on their electricity use. Why the big guys and not the little guys??? We have no advocacy.
Also, Gov. DeSantis APPOINTED all 4 members of the FPSC.
Who is responsible for cleanliness in the mess hall? -The Company Commander.
You can deflect all you want, the Governor is not looking out for us.
Ignore that ALL OTHER states are cheaper. Doesn't it even make you curious why?
Also, this is a bad year for you to blame storm recovery.
Give residents a brake....not the big corporations and not more profits for the Electric Companies.

One of many residents fighting to make ends meet,
Darrell W. Phenicie

On Thu, Dec 11, 2025 at 10:53 AM Ellen Plendl <EPlendl@psc.state.fl.us> wrote:

Dear Mr. Phenicie:

Thank you for your reply. I cannot provide you with information about other states because the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regulates investor-owned electric utilities solely in Florida. The FPSC does not have jurisdiction in other states, nor does the Florida Statutes require rates to be determined based on electric rates in other states.

The Governor appoints the FPSC Commissioners, who make the determinations on docketed matters, including rate cases before the FPSC. You may review information about the Florida Public Service Commission and the Commissioners by using the following link:

https://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0300-0399/0350/0350ContentsIndex.html&StatuteYear=2025&Title=%2D%3E2025%2D%3EChapter%20350

Florida's electric utility rate of return is governed by Chapter 366, Florida Statutes (F.S.), primarily requiring the FPSC to set just, reasonable, and compensatory rates allowing for a reasonable rate of return on its rate base, ensuring adequate service while considering costs and efficiency detailing the process, aiming for fairness for both utilities and consumers.

Chapter 366.05, F.S., grants the FPSC authority to set fair rates, charges, and service standards, ensuring utilities earn a reasonable return on their investment (rate base).

Chapter 366.071, F.S., regarding the required rate of return defines how the required return is calculated, using the weighted average cost of capital and the utility's last authorized rate of return on equity, with specific rules for interim rate adjustments.

You may review Florida Statute 366.06 and 366.07 regarding the regarding rates and the procedure for rate adjustments by using the following link:

https://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0300-0399/0366/0366ContentsIndex.html&StatuteYear=2025&Title=%2D%3E2025%2D%3EChapter%20366

You can review the specifics of Docket numbers 20240025 regarding DEF's settlement for the increase in its base rates and 20240173 regarding the storm cost recovery by using the following links:

<https://www.floridapsc.com/pscfiles/library/filings/2024/09858-2024/09858-2024.pdf>

and

<https://www.floridapsc.com/pscfiles/library/filings/2025/01100-2025/01100-2025.pdf>

Please call me at 1-800-342-3552 to discuss further.

Sincerely,

Ellen Plendl

Regulatory Analyst IV

Florida Public Service Commission

Office of Consumer Assistance

1-800-342-3552 (phone)

1-800-511-0809 (fax)

From: Darrell Phenicie <dwphen@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2025 10:30 AM

To: Ellen Plendl <EPlendl@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

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Great. Thanks for all the info that still does not answer the question: Why are rates so much lower in most states? Why isn't the governor at work to stop these rate increases? While most states allow Electricity companies to take 10% in profits, Florida just allowed an increase

that allows companies here to take over 11%.

What does Ron Santis have to say about that? Yes, you sent me the info with all the initials THAT it happened but you gave NO REASON.

Why does Florida have higher costs? -And why is the Governor not pushing back for his residents, many of which live on the edge.

Among the unheard,

Darrell W. Phenicie

On Thu, Dec 11, 2025 at 10:22 AM Darrell Phenicie <dwphen@gmail.com> wrote:

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On Thu, Dec 11, 2025 at 7:44 AM Ellen Plendl <EPlendl@psc.state.fl.us> wrote:

| Dear Mr. Phenicie:

I am in receipt of your December 11, 2025 E-mail.

In my December 4, 2025 E-mail, I shared information about DEF's settlement to their rate case, and the storm recovery cost approval.

You may also review our brochure, "Utility Ratemaking in Florida," by using the following link:

<https://www.floridapsc.com/pscfiles/website-files//PDF/Publications/Consumer/Brochure/Ratemaking.pdf>

This brochure will explain the process of setting rates for Florida's investor-owned utilities.

I will add your protest comments to our records.

Sincerely,

Ellen Plendl

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From: Darrell Phenicie <dwphen@gmail.com>

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Greetings Ellen,

I just saw a report that Florida's power companies, including FPL and Duke have higher profit margins (approved by the State of Florida) than all of the 48 states in the continental United States.

I am a Republican and I am sad to see a socialist mayor elected in Miami, but Governor DeSantis must see that ignoring the needs of his State's residents gives rise to those residents feeling desperate.

Please, Rev. DeSantis, stand up for the little guys.

Sincerely,

Darrell W. Phenicie