

# FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

# CONSUMER ACTIVITY REPORT August 2017

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# Consumer Access to the FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

If you have questions about regulated utility services, you may:

\*CALLthe office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach at 1-800-342-3552

\*FAX your questions to 1-800-511-0809

\*E-MAIL the FPSC from our Web site at http://www.floridapsc.com, or direct to the following address: <a href="mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us">contact@psc.state.fl.us</a>

\*Or WRITE to:

Florida Public Service Commission Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

#### **Consumer Activity Overview August 2017**

Complaints Received & Entered in	to CATS			771
Electric			51	
Gas			3	
LifeLine			3	
Relay			0	
Pay Telephone			0	
Water & Wastewater			13	
Non-certificated Company Complaint	ts Logged		0	
Electric		0		
Gas		0		
Telecommunications		0		
Water/Wastewater		0		
Industry Unknown		0		
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls 7	Γransferred to Utilities)		568	
Electric		563		
Gas		5		
Telecommunications		0		
Water/Wastewater		0		
E-Transfers (E-mails sent to Utilities	from the PSC Web site)		39	
Electric		39		
Gas		0		
Telecommunications		0		
Water/Wastewater		0		
Cases Received / Closed Under 3 Day	Rule		94	
Electric		91		
Gas		3		
Telecommunications		0		
Water / Wastewater		0		
Information Requests Received & I	Entered into CATS			2,074
Total New Cases Received & Enter	ed into CATS			2,845
How Cases Were Received	Complaints	Information Requests		<b>Total Cases</b>
Phone	639	1,469		2,108
Mail	4	11		15
Internet	127	590		717
Fax	1	4		5

2,074

2,845

771

**Totals** 

#### **Cases by Industry**

#### August 2017

	Complaints Logged	% of Total Complaints*	Information Requests Logged	% of Total Information Requests*
Electric	51	7 %	655	32 %
Natural Gas	3	0 %	12	1 %
Telecommunications	3	0 %	846	41 %
Lifeline	3	0 %		
Relay	0	0 %		
Pay Telephone	0	0 %		
Water & Wastewater	13	2 %	187	9 %
Non-certificated Company Cases logged**	0	0 %	374	18 %
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)	568	74 %		
E-Transfers	39	5 %		
Cases Received & Closed by 3 Day Rule	94	12 %		
Total	771	100 %	2,074	100 %

Information provided by Consumer Activity Tracking System(CATS). Includes contacts from phone calls, letters, faxes and the Internet.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures have been rounded.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Non-certificated relates to complaints filed against companies that appear to lack a certificate with the PSC.

# Complaints Received by County August 2017



Note: County name not available for 19 cases e.g., complaints received by e-mail, telephone transfer-connects, non-Florida addresess, etc.

#### **Electric Companies**

	Complaints Logged			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
DUKE ENERGY	13	10	23	149
FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY	2	11	13	101
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY	0	1	1	4
GULF POWER COMPANY	0	0	0	2
TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY	9	5	14	79
TOTALS**	24	27	51	335

<sup>\*</sup>Please see Definitions.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

#### **Natural Gas Companies**

	Complaints Logged			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
FLORIDA CITY GAS	1	0	1	10
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY	0	0	0	9
PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM	0	2	2	10
TOTALS**	1	2	3	29

<sup>\*</sup>Please see Definitions.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

#### **Lifeline Complaints**

	Month	Year-To-Date
AT&T FLORIDA	0	6
CENTURYLINK	1	3
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF AMERICA, INC.	0	1
FRONTIER FLORIDA LLC	1	7
WINDSTREAM FLORIDA, LLC	1	1
TOTALS*	3	18

<sup>\*</sup>Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

#### **Relay Service Complaints**

	Month	Year-To-Date
	0	0
TOTALS*	0	0

<sup>\*</sup>Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

#### **Pay Telephone Companies**

		Complaints Logged			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D	
	0	0	0	0	
TOTALS**	0	0	0	0	

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

## Water & Wastewater Companies

		Complaints Logged			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D	
ALTURAS UTILITIES, L.L.C.	0	1	1	1	
AQUARINA UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	22	
BEACHES SEWER SYSTEM	0	0	0	1	
BREVARD WATERWORKS, INC.	0	1	1	1	
CENTRAL SUMTER UTILITY COMPANY, LLC	0	0	0	1	
CHARLIE CREEK UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	5	
COLONY PARK DEVELOPMENT UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	1	
CRESTRIDGE UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	4	
EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA SERVICES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
EAST MARION UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	1	
HARBOR WATERWORKS, INC.	0	0	0	1	
HC WATERWORKS, INC.	0	2	2	4	
HEATHER HILLS ESTATES UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	2	
HOLIDAY GARDENS UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	3	
KINCAID HILLS WATER COMPANY	0	0	0	2	
LAKE OSBORNE WATERWORKS, INC.	0	0	0	10	
LAKESIDE WATERWORKS. INC.	0	0	0	4	
LITTLE GASPARILLA WATER UTILITY, INC.	0	0	0	1	
LP WATERWORKS, INC.	0	1	1	1	
MOBILE MANOR WATER COMPANY, INC.	0	0	0	2	
NI FLORIDA, LLC	0	0	0	3	
NI FLORIDA, LLC	0	0	0	1	
NORTH BEACH UTILITIES, INC.	1	0	1	1	
ORANGE LAND UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	1	
ORCHID SPRINGS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	0	0	0	1	
PARKLAND UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
PEOPLES WATER SERVICE COMPANY OF FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	5	
PLACID LAKES UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
PLURIS WEDGEFIELD, INC.	0	1	1	26	
RAINTREE WATERWORKS, INC.	0	0	0	1	
ROYAL UTILITY COMPANY	0	0	0	2	
SOUTHLAKE UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	2	
ST. JOHN'S RIVER CLUB UTILITY COMPANY, LLC	0	1	1	1	
SUNNY SHORES WATER COMPANY, INC.	0	0	0	2	
SUNRISE UTILITIES, LLC	1	0	1	13	

#### **Water & Wastewater Companies**

		Complaints Logged		
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
SUNSHINE UTILITIES OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, INC.	1	0	1	2
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	0	1	1	1
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	0	1	1	1
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	0	0	0	6
UTILITIES, INC. OF PENNBROOKE	0	1	1	1
WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC.	0	0	0	2
WILDWOOD WATER COMPANY	0	0	0	1
TOTALS**	3	10	13	143

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

**Billing** - A complaint concerning the amount a customer has been billed or any rule or tariff having to do specifically with the billing of the customer's account.

**Case** - A contact that is logged into the PSC's CATS database. A case may be logged in as a complaint or as an information request.

**Complaint** - A form of case that involves a substantial unresolved objection regarding a regulated utility, as it relates to charges, facility operations, or the quality of the services rendered, the disposal of which requires an investigation and/or analysis by PSC staff.

**Complaint Activity** - The total number of complaints logged with regulated utilities or resolved within a given period of time.

**Complaints Logged** - The number of complaints received from customers filed with the utilities.

**Complaints Resolved** - The number of complaints handled by the PSC staff, which determines whether a utility is in apparent violation or apparent nonviolation of PSC rules, company tariffs, or policies.

**Consumer Activity Tracking System (CATS)** - A database system that tracks complaints and information requests filed with the Florida Public Service Commission.

**Contact** - A communication with the Commission either in writing(letter, fax, or e-mail), in person, or by telephone relating to a complaint or an information request that is handled by consumer complaint staff. A contact may be logged into CATS as a new case or it may not be logged as a new case because it is a follow-up to an existing case, is a misdialed call or the caller hangs up during the call.

**Information Request** - A form of case that involves providing facts, reference material or other data but does not involve a substantial unresolved objection by a consumer regarding a regulated utility.

**Service** - A complaint having to do with the delivery of the service provided by the utility, exclusive of billing concerns.

**Telephone Transfer Connect (Warm Transfer)** - A call to the PSC can be directly transferred to the utility in question, if the consumer has not yet expressed his concerns to that utility.