

### FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### CONSUMER ACTIVITY REPORT August 2018

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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 2018**

Complaints Received & Entered in	nto CATS			891
Électric			67	
Gas			8	
LifeLine			2	
Relay			0	
Pay Telephone			0	
Water & Wastewater			11	
Non-certificated Company Complain	nts Logged		0	
Electric		0		
Gas		0		
Telecommunications		0		
Water/Wastewater		0		
Industry Unknown		0		
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls	Transferred to Utilities)		665	
Electric		654		
Gas		11		
Telecommunications		0		
Water/Wastewater		0		
E-Transfers (E-mails sent to Utilities	s from the PSC Web site)		48	
Electric		46		
Gas		2		
Telecommunications		0		
Water/Wastewater		0		
Cases Received / Closed Under 3 Da	ay Rule		90	
Electric		88		
Gas		2		
Telecommunications		0		
Water / Wastewater		0		
Information Requests Received &	<b>Entered into CATS</b>			1,668
Total New Cases Received & Ente	red into CATS			2,559
How Cases Were Received	Complaints	Information Requests		Total Cases
Phone	746	1,447		2,193
Mail	4	16		20
Internet	141	204		345
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**Totals** 

#### **Cases by Industry**

#### August 2018

	Complaints Logged	% of Total Complaints*	Information Requests Logged	% of Total Information Requests*
Electric	67	8 %	381	23 %
Natural Gas	8	1 %	22	1 %
Telecommunications	2	0 %	766	46 %
Lifeline	2	0 %		
Relay	0	0 %		
Pay Telephone	0	0 %		
Water & Wastewater	11	1 %	80	5 %
Non-certificated Company Cases logged**	0	0 %	419	25 %
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)	665	75 %		
E-Transfers	48	5 %		
Cases Received & Closed by 3 Day Rule	90	10 %		
Total	891	100 %	1,668	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 2018



Note: County name not available for 26 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	24	16	40	283	
FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY	3	6	9	112	
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY	1	1	2	15	
GULF POWER COMPANY	0	0	0	5	
TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY	10	6	16	73	
TOTALS**	38	29	67	488	

<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	3	0	3	19
FLORIDA DIVISION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION	0	0	0	1
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY	2	1	3	16
PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM	2	0	2	13
TOTALS**	7	1	8	49

<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	4
CENTURYLINK	0	5
COX FLORIDA TELCOM, L.P.	0	1
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTH, LLC	0	3
FRONTIER FLORIDA LLC	1	2
NEFCOM	1	1
WINDSTREAM FLORIDA, LLC	0	1
TOTALS*	2	17

<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
SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	0	1
TOTALS*	0	1

<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

		<b>Complaints Logged</b>			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D	
AQUARINA UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
BLACK BEAR WATERWORKS, INC.	0	0	0	1	
BOCILLA UTILITIES, INC.	1	0	1	9	
BREVARD WATERWORKS, INC.	0	0	0	1	
CAP UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	11	
CENTURY ESTATES UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
CHC VII, LTD.	0	0	0	2	
COUNTRY WALK UTILITIES, INC.	1	0	1	1	
DEER CREEK RV GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, INC.	0	0	0	1	
EAST MARION UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	27	
FIMC HIDEAWAY, INC.	0	0	0	2	
HC WATERWORKS, INC.	0	0	0	7	
HEATHER HILLS ESTATES UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	2	
HEATHER HILLS UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	1	
HOLIDAY GARDENS UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	1	
LIGHTHOUSE UTILITIES COMPANY, INC.	0	0	0	1	
MERRITT ISLAND UTILITY COMPANY, INC.	0	0	0	1	
NEIGHBORHOOD UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
NI FLORIDA, LLC	0	0	0	2	
NORTH PENINSULA UTILITIES CORPORATION	0	0	0	1	
ORANGEWOOD LAKES SERVICES, INC.	0	0	0	2	
ORCHID SPRINGS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	0	0	0	1	
PARK WATER COMPANY	0	0	0	1	
PARKLAND UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
PEOPLES WATER SERVICE COMPANY OF FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	3	
PLURIS WEDGEFIELD, INC.	0	0	0	25	
RIVER RANCH WATER MANAGEMENT, L.L.C.	0	0	0	1	
ROLLING OAKS UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
SEMINOLE WATERWORKS, INC.	0	0	0	2	
SUNNY HILLS UTILITY COMPANY	0	0	0	2	
SUNNY SHORES WATER CO.	0	0	0	1	
SUNRISE UTILITIES, LLC	0	1	1	5	
SUNSHINE UTILITIES OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, INC.	2	0	2	3	
THE WOODS UTILITY COMPANY	0	0	0	1	
TRADEWINDS UTILITIES, INC.	0	1	1	1	

# Water & Wastewater Companies Complaint Activity - August 2018

		<b>Complaints Logged</b>			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D	
TYMBER CREEK UTILITIES, INCORPORATED	0	0	0	1	
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	2	2	4	42	
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	0	1	1	2	
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	0	0	0	1	
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	0	0	0	2	
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	0	0	0	1	
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	0	0	0	1	
UTILITIES, INC. OF PENNBROOKE	0	0	0	2	
WILDWOOD WATER COMPANY	0	0	0	1	
TOTALS**	6	5	11	177	

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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.