

# CONSUMER ACTIVITY REPORT January 2024

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#### Consumer Access to the

#### FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

- \* CALL the 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: contact@psc.state.fl.us
- \* Or WRITE to:

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

# **Consumer Activity Overview**

## January 2024

Complaints Received & Entered into CATS			913	
Electric		55		
Gas		5		
LifeLine		0		
Relay		0		
Pay Telephone		0		
Water/Wastewater		9		
Non-certificated Company Complaints Logged		0		
Electric	0			
Gas	0			
Telecommunications	0			
Water/Wastewater	0			
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)		604		
Electric	596			
Gas	8			
Telecommunications	0			
Water/Wastewater	0			
E-Transfers (E-mails sent to Utilities from the PSC Web site)		78		
Electric	78			
Gas	0			
Telecommunications	0			
Water/Wastewater	0			
Cases Received / Closed Under 3 Day Rule		162		
Electric	161			
Gas	1			
Telecommunications	0			
Water/Wastewater	0			
Consumer Contacts Received & Entered into CATS.			874	
Total New Cases Received & Entered into CATS				1787

Cases Were Received	Complaints	Consumer Contact	Total Cases
Phone	638	616	1254
Mail	1	4	5
Internet	274	254	528
Fax	0	0	0
Total	913	874	1787

#### **Cases by Industry**

#### January 2024

	Complaints Logged	Percentage of Total Complaints*	Consumer Contact Logged	Percentage of Total Consumer Contact*
Electric	54	6%	259	30%
Natural Gas	5	1%	15	2%
Telecommunications	0	0%	130	15%
Lifeline	0	0%		
Relay	0	0%		
Pay Telephone	0	0%		
Water & Wastewater	9	1%	80	9%
Non-certificated Company Cases logged**	0	0%	390	45%
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)	604	66%		
E-Transfers	78	9%		
Cases Received & Closed by 3 Day Rule	162	18%		
Total	913	100%	874	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 PSC.

# **Complaints Received by County**

# January 2024

County	Cases	County	Cases	County	Cases	County	Cases
N/A	297	Escambia	28	Lafayette	0	Pasco	6
Alachua	0	Flagler	6	Lake	6	Pinellas	29
Baker	0	Franklin	1	Lee	16	Polk	11
Bay	7	Gadsden	0	Leon	0	Putnam	1
Bradford	2	Gilchrist	0	Levy	0	Saint Johns	2
Brevard	48	Glades	0	Liberty	0	Saint Lucie	11
Broward	88	Gulf	1	Madison	0	Santa Rosa	6
Calhoun	0	Hamilton	1	Manatee	8	Sarasota	23
Charlotte	14	Hardee	0	Marion	8	Seminole	12
Citrus	3	Hendry	1	Martin	13	Sumter	0
Clay	0	Hernando	1	Monroe	0	Suwannee	3
Collier	20	Highlands	2	Nassau	5	Taylor	0
Columbia	2	Hillsborough	11	Okaloosa	7	Union	0
Dade	0	Holmes	0	Okeechobee	2	Volusia	29
DeSoto	1	Indian River	14	Orange	18	Wakulla	2
Dixie	0	Jackson	2	Osceola	3	Walton	0
Duval	0	Jefferson	0	Palm Beach	52	Washington	3

Note: The counts listed as "N/A" are the cases their county name not available e.g., complaints received by e-mail, telephone transfer-connects,non-Florida addresess, etc.

## **Electric Companies**

Company Name	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
Duke Energy	11	23	34	34
Florida Power & Light Company	4	9	13	13
Florida Public Utilities Company	2	2	4	4
Tampa Electric Company	1	2	3	3
TOTALS**	18	36	54	54

<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**

Company Name	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
Florida City Gas	1	0	1	1
Florida Public Utilities Company	1	1	2	2
Florida Public Utilities Company - Fort Meade Division	0	1	1	1
Peoples Gas System, Inc.	0	1	1	1
TOTALS**	2	3	5	5

<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**

Company Name	Month	Y-T-D
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.

## **Relay Service Complaints**

Company Name	Month	Y-T-D
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 Complaints**

Company Name	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
TOTALS**	0	0	0	0

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

# Water & Wastewater Companies

Company Name	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
CSWR-Florida Utility Operating Company, LLC	1	3	4	4
Florida Community Water Systems, Inc.	0	2	2	2
Pinecrest Utilities, LLC	1	0	1	1
Pluris Wedgefield, LLC	1	0	1	1
Sunny Shores Utilities, LLC	1	0	1	1
TOTALS**	4	5	9	9

<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.

#### **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 Consumer Contact.

#### 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 Consumer Contact 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 Consumer Contact 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.

#### **Consumer Contact:**

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.