

## FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## CONSUMER ACTIVITY REPORT June 2013

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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 June 2013**

Complaints Received & Entered int	o CATS			559
Electric			35	
Gas			3	
LifeLine			24	
Relay			0	
Pay Telephone			0	
Water & Wastewater			7	
Non-certificated Company Complaint	s Logged		0	
Electric		0		
Gas		0		
Telecommunications		0		
Water/Wastewater		0		
Industry Unknown		0		
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls T	Transferred to Utilities)		394	
Electric		384		
Gas		10		
Telecommunications		0		
Water/Wastewater		0		
E-Transfers (E-mails sent to Utilities f	from the PSC Web site)		31	
Electric		31		
Gas		0		
Telecommunications		0		
Water/Wastewater		0		
Cases Received / Closed Under 3 Day	Rule		65	
Electric		65		
Gas		0		
Telecommunications		0		
Water / Wastewater		0		
Information Requests Received & E	Entered into CATS			2,098
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Total New Cases Received & Entere	ed into CATS			2,657
How Cases Were Received	Complaints	Information Doguests		Total Cases
	Complaints 477	Information Requests		
Phone		1,929		2,406
Mail	5	22		27
Internet	76	138		214
Fax	1	9		10

2,098

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**Totals** 

#### **Cases by Industry**

#### **June 2013**

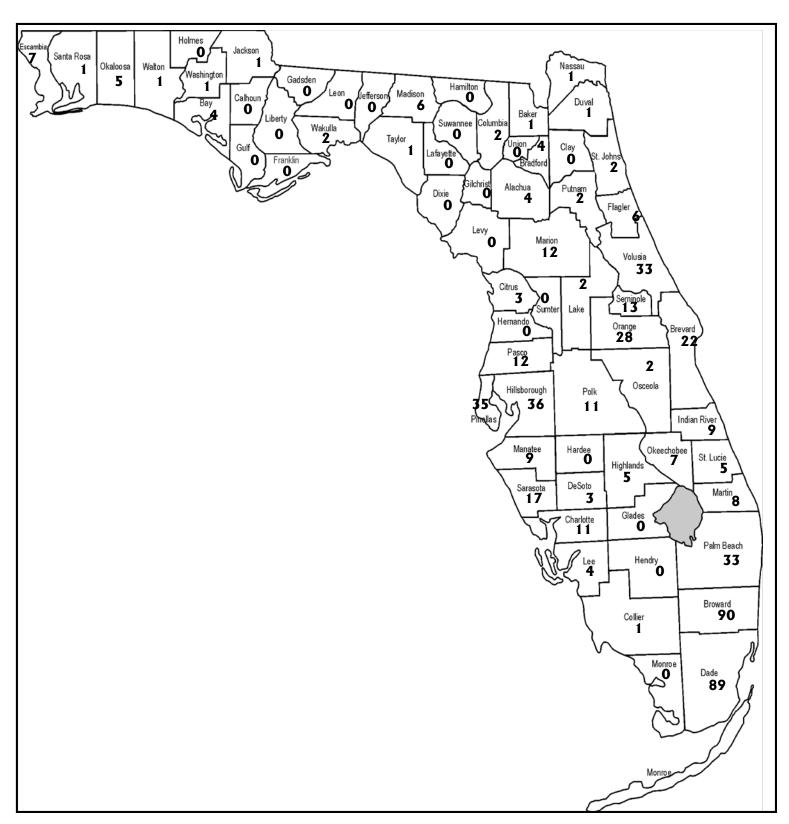
	Complaints Logged	% of Total Complaints*	Information Requests Logged	% of Total Information Requests*
Electric	35	6 %	276	13 %
Natural Gas	3	1 %	18	1 %
Telecommunications	24	4 %	1168	56 %
Lifeline	24	4 %		
Relay	0	0 %		
Pay Telephone	0	0 %		
Water & Wastewater	7	1 %	72	3 %
Non-certificated Company Cases logged**	0	0 %	564	27 %
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)	394	70 %		
E-Transfers	31	6 %		
Cases Received & Closed by 3 Day Rule	65	12 %		
Total	559	100 %	2,098	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, but the complaint issue may be jurisdictional.

# Complaints Received by County June 2013



Note: County name not available for 7 cases e.g., complaints received by e-mail, telephone transfer-connects, non-Florida addresses, etc.

#### **Electric Companies**

		Complaints Logged			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D	
DUKE ENERGY	11	6	17	94	
FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY	3	8	11	55	
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY	0	0	0	2	
GULF POWER COMPANY	1	0	1	3	
TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY	2	4	6	38	
TOTALS**	17	18	35	192	

<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	0	0	0	4
FLORIDA DIVISION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION	0	0	0	2
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY	0	0	0	4
PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM	2	1	3	12
ST. JOE NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.	0	0	0	1
TOTALS**	2	1	3	23

<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	18	171
CENTURYLINK	3	27
FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS	0	1
VERIZON FLORIDA LLC	3	34
TOTALS*	24	233

<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
FLORIDA PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS	0	0	0	1
PAYPHONES PLUS PLUS, LLC	0	0	0	1
TOTALS**	0	0	0	2

<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.

## Water & Wastewater Companies

		<b>Complaints Logged</b>			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D	
AQUA UTILITIES FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	1	
AQUA UTILITIES FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	4	
AQUA UTILITIES FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	1	
AQUA UTILITIES FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	5	
AQUA UTILITIES FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	1	
AQUA UTILITIES FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	2	
AQUA UTILITIES FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	1	
BOCILLA UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
CONTINENTAL UTILITY, INC.	0	0	0	1	
FOUR POINTS UTILITY CORPORATION	0	0	0	3	
GOLD COAST UTILITY CORP.	0	0	0	1	
GRENELEFE RESORT UTILITY, INC.	0	0	0	1	
HARBOR WATERWORKS, INC.	0	0	0	1	
HOLIDAY GARDENS UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	2	
LABRADOR UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	7	
LAKE UTILITY SERVICES, INC.	0	0	0	2	
LAKE UTILITY SERVICES, INC.	0	0	0	2	
MARION UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
MID-COUNTY SERVICES, INC.	1	0	1	1	
NI FLORIDA, LLC	0	1	1	1	
NI FLORIDA, LLC	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	
PINECREST RANCHES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
PINECREST UTILITIES, LLC	0	0	0	1	
PLANTATION BAY UTILITY CO.	0	0	0	1	
PLURIS WEDGEFIELD, INC.	0	0	0	2	
ROYAL UTILITY COMPANY	0	0	0	2	
SANLANDO UTILITIES CORPORATION	0	0	0	1	
SOUTHLAKE UTILITIES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
SUNRISE UTILITIES, LLC	0	1	1	2	
SUNSHINE UTILITIES OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, INC.	0	0	0	3	
TYMBER CREEK UTILITIES, INCORPORATED	0	0	0	1	
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	1	1	2	4	
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	1	0	1	1	
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	0	0	0	2	

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

		<b>Complaints Logged</b>			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D	
UTILITIES, INC. OF PENNBROOKE	1	0	1	4	
WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC.	0	0	0	2	
WINDSTREAM UTILITIES COMPANY	0	0	0	1	
TOTALS**	4	3	7	74	

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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.