

# CONSUMER ACTIVITY REPORT March 2021

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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**

## March 2021

Complaints Received & Entered into CATS			412	
Electric		50		
Gas		7		
LifeLine		0		
Relay		0		
Pay Telephone		0		
Water/Wastewater		5		
Non-certificated Company Complaints Logged		0		
Electric	0			
Gas	0			
Telecommunications	0			
Water/Wastewater	0			
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)		239		
Electric	220			
Gas	19			
Telecommunications	0			
Water/Wastewater	0			
E-Transfers (E-mails sent to Utilities from the PSC Web site)		32		
Electric	32			
Gas	0			
Telecommunications	0			
Water/Wastewater	0			
Cases Received / Closed Under 3 Day Rule		79		
Electric	78			
Gas	1			
Telecommunications	0			
Water/Wastewater	0			
Consumer Contacts Received & Entered into CATS.			1500	
Total New Cases Received & Entered into CATS				1912

Cases Were Received	Complaints	Consumer Contact	Total Cases
Phone	291	1273	1564
Mail	2	7	9
Internet	119	219	338
Fax	0	1	1
Total	412	1500	1912

## **Cases by Industry**

#### **March 2021**

	Complaints Logged	Percentage of Total Complaints*	Consumer Contact Logged	Percentage of Total Consumer Contact*
Electric	50	12%	433	29%
Natural Gas	7	2%	26	2%
Telecommunications	0	0%	446	30%
Lifeline	0	0%		
Relay	0	0%		
Pay Telephone	0	0%		
Water & Wastewater	5	1%	73	5%
Non-certificated Company Cases logged**	0	0%	522	35%
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)	239	58%		
E-Transfers	32	8%		
Cases Received & Closed by 3 Day Rule	79	19%		
Total	412	100%	1500	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**

## **March 2021**

County	Cases	County	Cases	County	Cases
N/A	15	Escambia	26	Lafayette	0
Alachua	0	Flagler	4	Lake	4
Baker	0	Franklin	0	Lee	10
Bay	8	Gadsden	0	Leon	0
Bradford	0	Gilchrist	0	Levy	0
Brevard	31	Glades	0	Liberty	0
Broward	57	Gulf	0	Madison	0
Calhoun	0	Hamilton	0	Manatee	7
Charlotte	2	Hardee	0	Marion	2
Citrus	0	Hendry	1	Martin	1
Clay	0	Hernando	0	Monroe	0
Collier	7	Highlands	1	Nassau	3
Columbia	3	Hillsborough	10	Okaloosa	9
Dade	0	Holmes	0	Okeechobee	2
DeSoto	1	Indian River	3	Orange	4
Dixie	0	Jackson	4	Osceola	2
Duval	1	Jefferson	0	Palm Beach	50

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	5	14	19	58
Florida Power & Light Company	6	5	11	25
Florida Public Utilities Company	1	6	7	16
Gulf Power Company	1	10	11	92
Tampa Electric Company	1	1	2	10
TOTALS**	14	36	50	201

<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	0	1	1	3
Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation	0	0	0	1
Florida Public Utilities Company	0	1	1	2
Peoples Gas System	1	4	5	13
TOTALS**	1	6	7	19

<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
Beaches Sewer System	0	0	0	1
Coral Cay Water & Sewer Company	0	0	0	1
East Marion Utilities, LLC	1	0	1	1
HC Waterworks, Inc.	0	0	0	1
Holiday Gardens Utilities, LLC	0	1	1	1
Little Gasparilla Water Utility, Inc.	0	1	1	1
Okaloosa Waterworks, Inc.	0	0	0	1
Palm Valley Utilities	1	0	1	1
Pluris Wedgefield, LLC	0	0	0	1
Sunrise Water, LLC	0	1	1	2
Sunshine Utilities of Central Florida, Inc.	0	0	0	2
Utilities, Inc. of Florida	0	0	0	5
TOTALS**	2	3	5	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.

#### **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.