

# CONSUMER ACTIVITY REPORT May 2021

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#### Consumer Access to the

#### FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

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- \* 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**

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Cases Were Received	Complaints	Consumer Contact	Total Cases
Phone	324	913	1237
Mail	1	9	10
Internet	73	251	324
Fax	0	2	2
Total	398	1175	1573

#### **Cases by Industry**

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	Complaints Logged	Percentage of Total Complaints*	Consumer Contact Logged	Percentage of Total Consumer Contact*
Electric	27	7%	475	40%
Natural Gas	2	1%	23	2%
Telecommunications	0	0%	291	25%
Lifeline	0	0%		
Relay	0	0%		
Pay Telephone	0	0%		
Water & Wastewater	6	2%	57	5%
Non-certificated Company Cases logged**	0	0%	329	28%
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)	285	72%		
E-Transfers	27	7%		
Cases Received & Closed by 3 Day Rule	51	13%		
Total	398	100%	1175	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**

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County	Cases	County	Cases	County	Cases
N/A	12	Escambia	26	Lafayette	0
Alachua	0	Flagler	4	Lake	5
Baker	0	Franklin	0	Lee	9
Bay	12	Gadsden	1	Leon	0
Bradford	0	Gilchrist	0	Levy	0
Brevard	17	Glades	0	Liberty	0
Broward	50	Gulf	1	Madison	0
Calhoun	0	Hamilton	0	Manatee	14
Charlotte	4	Hardee	0	Marion	1
Citrus	0	Hendry	1	Martin	1
Clay	1	Hernando	0	Monroe	1
Collier	4	Highlands	1	Nassau	0
Columbia	1	Hillsborough	10	Okaloosa	5
Dade	0	Holmes	1	Okeechobee	2
DeSoto	5	Indian River	7	Orange	2
Dixie	0	Jackson	3	Osceola	1
Duval	1	Jefferson	0	Palm Beach	40

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	7	6	13	87
Florida Power & Light Company	2	5	7	39
Florida Public Utilities Company	0	1	1	17
Gulf Power Company	0	2	2	100
Tampa Electric Company	3	1	4	22
TOTALS**	12	15	27	265

<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	8
Florida Division of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation	0	1	1	2
Florida Public Utilities Company	0	0	0	2
Peoples Gas System	0	0	0	13
TOTALS**	1	1	2	25

<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
CenturyLink	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.

## **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
Aquarina Utilities, Inc.	0	0	0	2
Beaches Sewer System	0	0	0	1
Coral Cay Water & Sewer Company	0	0	0	1
Crooked Lake Park Sewerage Company	0	0	0	1
East Marion Utilities, LLC	0	0	0	1
HC Waterworks, Inc.	0	0	0	1
Holiday Gardens Utilities, LLC	0	0	0	1
K W Resort Utilities Corp.	0	1	1	1
Little Gasparilla Water Utility, Inc.	0	0	0	1
Ni Florida, LLC	1	0	1	2
Okaloosa Waterworks, Inc.	0	0	0	1
Orchid Springs Development Corporation	1	0	1	1
Palm Valley Utilities	0	0	0	1
Peoples Water Service Company of Florida, Inc.	0	0	0	1
Sunny Shores Utilities, LLC	2	0	2	3
Sunrise Water, LLC	0	0	0	2
Sunshine Utilities of Central Florida, Inc.	0	0	0	2
Utilities, Inc. of Florida	0	1	1	7
TOTALS**	4	2	6	30

<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.