

# Florida Public Service Commission RATE CASE OVERVIEW

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Application for rate increase by

## Duke Energy Florida, LLC

### DOCKET NO. 20240025 - EI

On April 02, 2024, Duke Energy Florida, LLC (DEF) filed an application for a base rate increase with the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC). DEF currently provides electric service to approximately two million retail customers in Pinellas, Pasco, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

#### 1. Why is DEF requesting a rate increase?

DEF is requesting a rate increase to recover the cost of operating the Utility and allow the company an opportunity to earn a fair rate of return on its investment.

#### 2. When was DEF's last approved rate increase?

DEF's last rate case was in 2021.

## **3.** Is there an opportunity for public input on this rate case?

Yes. As part of the evaluation process of DEF's rate request, Commission staff will conduct virtual and inperson service hearings to allow feedback about DEF's quality of service and the rate setting process. Comments will be reviewed before the Commission reaches a decision. Commissioners will attend and participate during the service hearing.

Customers may register to speak at the service hearings in one of the following ways: (1) register using the PSC's online registration form, which will be available at <u>www.FloridaPSC.com</u>, under the "Hot Topics" heading, (2) call the FPSC at (850) 413-7080 (3) email speakersignup@psc.state.fl.us, or (4) register when you arrive at the venue. Online registration will open on May 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m., and close on June 14, 2024 at noon.

Please note that the order in which customers will speak is based on the order in which they register. If you have questions about the sign-up process, please call (850) 413-7080.

One day prior to the meeting customers who signed up to speak at one of the virtual service hearings will be provided further instructions from FPSC staff on how to participate.

### IN-PERSON SERVICE HEARINGS

Wednesday, June 12, 2024 10:00 a.m. Citrus County Auditorium 3610 S Florida Ave Inverness, FL 34450

Wednesday, June 12, 2024 6:00 p.m.\* Parks and Conservation Resources Magnolia Room 12520 Ulmerton Rd. Largo, FL 33774 \*Spanish Interpreter

#### IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL SERVICE HEARINGS

Tuesday, June 11, 2024 9:30 a.m.\* Betty Easley Conference Center Room 148 4075 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, FL \*Spanish Interpreter

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 6:00 p.m.\* Betty Easley Conference Center Room 148 4075 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, FL \*Spanish Interpreter

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#### 4. Can I obtain more information online?

Detailed docket information is available on the FPSC website at <u>www.FloridaPSC.com</u>. Click on Clerk's Office then Dockets. Type in the docket number 20240025.

#### 5. What if I cannot attend the service hearings or prefer not to speak? Are there other ways to comment on this case?

Any interested person who wants to comment or provide information to the Commission regarding this matter may do so orally at the service hearings or in writing.\*

Written comments should be mailed to:

Florida Public Service Commission Office of Commission Clerk 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

The PSC will also accept emailed comments at: <a href="mailto:clerk@psc.state.fl.us">clerk@psc.state.fl.us</a>

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Comments are placed on the correspondence side of the docket file. In accordance with Florida Statutes, the FPSC will also consider DEF's quality of service and other matters. If you have questions, contact the FPSC's Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach at (800) 342-3552.

# 6. How much is the current and proposed monthly electric bill for a DEF residential customer using 1000 kWh?

The current electric bill for a DEF residential customer using 1,000 kWh is \$157.47. The proposed monthly electric bill for a DEF residential customer using 1,000 kWh would be \$169.16.

#### 7. Who can answer technical or legal questions?

For technical questions, contact:

Orlando Wooten Quality of Service and Engineering (850) 413-6686

> Lee Smith Rates and Charges (850) 413-7003

Matthew Vogel Accounting (850) 413-6453

For legal questions, contact: Shaw Stiller (850) 413-6187

# 8. Who provides legal representation for customers in utility related matters before the Florida Public Service Commission?

The Office of Public Counsel was established by the Florida Legislature to advocate on behalf of you and the other utility customers before the Commission and other state and federal regulatory authorities. The Office of Public Counsel is independent from the Commission, and accountable only to the people of the State of Florida through the Florida Legislature. You can reach the Office of Public Counsel at (800) 342-0222 or www.floridaopc.gov.

#### 9. When will the FPSC make a decision?

After the technical hearing is completed, the FPSC staff will file a recommendation with the Commission that addresses DEF's proposed revenue increase. The Commissioners will then vote on this matter at a future Commission Conference.

Based on the Commission's decision on DEF's proposed revenue increase, staff will prepare another recommendation that addresses the specific rates to be charged to each class of customers. The Commission will then vote on DEF's rates at a future Commission Conference.

## **10.** How can I follow the service hearings and Commission Conferences?

You can watch the service hearings and Commission Conferences live from the FPSC website at www.FloridaPSC.com.

Look for the "Watch Live and Archived FPSC Events" icon on the left side of the webpage.

An audio only option is available by dialing (850) 413-7999. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the FPSC by using the Florida Relay Service at (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

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## **FPSC Commissioners**







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### Duke Energy Florida, LLC Residential Bills at Various Usage Levels

	As of June 1, 2024	Estimated [2] Jan 1, 2025	<b>Estimated</b> [2] <b>Jan 1, 2026</b>	Estimated [2] Jan 1, 2027
1,000 kWh				
Base Rate Charges	\$ 83.91	\$100.39	\$ 103.12	\$ 108.05
Fuel Charge	\$ 43.72	\$ 43.72	\$ 43.72	\$43.72
Other Charges [1]	\$ 25.77	\$20.68	\$20.68	\$20.68
Gross Receipts Tax & Regulatory Assessment Fees	\$ 4.07	\$4.37	\$ 4.44	\$ 4.58
Total	\$ 157.47	\$169.16	\$171.96	\$ 177.03
1,500 kWh				
Base Rate Charges	\$124.26	\$147.61	\$ 151.55	\$158.75
Fuel Charge	\$70.93	\$70.93	\$ 70.93	\$70.93
Other Charges [1]	\$38.66	\$31.02	\$31.02	\$31.02
Gross Receipts Tax & Regulatory Assessment Fees	\$6.20	\$6.62	\$ 6.73	\$6.92
Total	\$240.05	\$256.18	\$260.23	\$267.62
2,000 kWh				
Base Rate Charges	\$164.61	\$194.83	\$199.97	\$ 209.46
Fuel Charge	\$98.14	\$98.14	\$ 98.14	\$ 98.14
Other Charges [1]	\$51.54	\$41.36	\$41.36	\$ 41.36
Gross Receipts Tax & Regulatory Assessment Fees	\$8.34	\$ 8.87	\$ 9.01	\$9.26
Total	\$322.63	\$343.20	\$348.48	\$ 358.22
3,000 kWh				
Base Rate Charges	\$245.30	\$289.27	\$ 296.82	\$ 310.87
Fuel Charge	\$152.56	\$152.56	\$152.56	\$152.56
Other Charges [1]	\$77.31	\$62.04	\$ 62.04	\$62.04
Gross Receipts Tax & Regulatory Assessment Fees	\$12.61	\$ 13.37	\$ 13.57	\$ 13.94
Total	\$ 487.78	\$ 517.24	\$524.99	\$ 539.41

[1] Other charges include the energy conservation cost recovery charge, capacity charge, environmental cost recovery charge, asset securitization charge, and storm protection charge.

[2] Includes 2024 fuel and other charges

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