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Dear Director:

DOCKET # 060638EI

Further to my letter of April 18 2007, I have some additional questions ...

1. Of the existing and proposed rates per kWh, what proportion (percentage) is 'purchased energy' and what proportion (percentage) is costs added by FPU; the total would be 100%.
2. Please break down FPU's revenue from City of Fernandina Beach customers to show the expected revenue in 2007 – without this proposed increase – for residential customers by:
  - a. Revenue from the \$10/month/meter customer charge.
  - b. Revenue from sales of electricity.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Michael R Harrison

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Dear Director:

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Thank you for convening yesterday's public meeting in Fernandina; it was helpful.

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I am now writing to oppose the proposed rate increase for the following reasons:

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- 1. The work proposed by FPUC does nothing to 'harden' the electrical infrastructure against adverse weather. The majority of the expenditure is directed towards vegetation management and inspection. These are activities that I expect to be included in FPUCs normal operations.
2. Providing further monies to FPUC for 'vegetation management' will likely lead to more instances of tree mutilation where the trees and the lines come close together. We do not need any more examples of the work shown on the next page (in the 300 and 400 blocks of Ash Street, Fernandina).
3. Nothing in the proposal provides for upgrading service or poles. The solution to the question of how to 'harden' the system involves many elements, and must take into account the wishes and views of the served community.

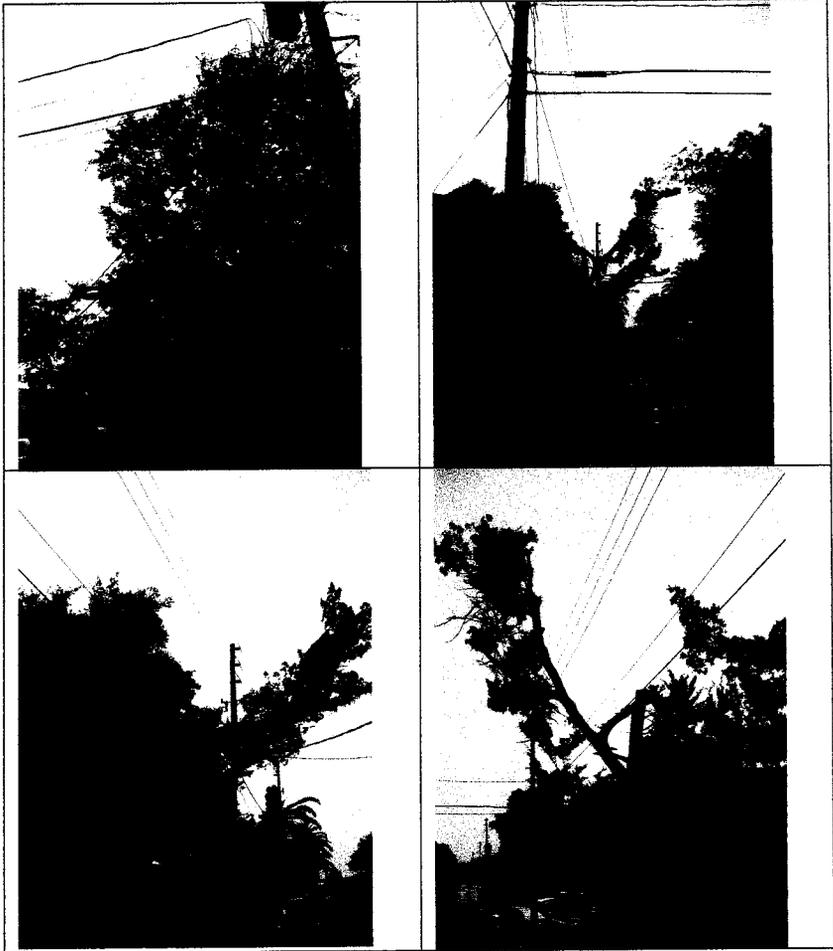
Clearly, we in Fernandina are interested in seeing real improvements made to our electrical distribution infrastructure, including the undergrounding of service in particular locations, and the routing of above-ground service to reduce vulnerability to weather conditions. I see no evidence in FPUC's 'hardening' proposals that they are contemplating any such initiatives; but I hope that after yesterday's meeting they will begin to do so.

In this docket, FPUC is claiming relief from mandates from yourselves - FPSC. I cannot believe that the actions proposed by FPUC were directed by FPSC; rather I imagine that you told them to make our system less vulnerable to weather, and FPUC responded with a plan to manage vegetation and inspect poles. We need a better plan - one that addresses the needs of our community.

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In re: Docket No. 060638-EI

Dear Director:

I would like to go on record as TOTALLY against this Docket for the Florida Public Utilities Company. With the recent fiasco FPU with their handling of late charges and the notification of increased rate with their new power contract coming up around this December, maybe they should change their name to Florida Pricey Utilities.

I for one, do not think it is ever was or ever will be fair that you allow power companies to pass any and every increase in energy cost to the consumer. To a certain extent, energy cost are a rip-off anyway, since you can control the supply and demand most any time you want to. I back this statement with the recent records of the profits of all the major oil companies.

I can not ask for more money because of the recent gasoline prices to my employer, I have to absorb the increase on my own, so give me one good reason why FPU and any other power company is allowed to, I do not think this is a fair shake.

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You grant them this increase along with the new energy contract coming in December, and this will put a hardship on a lot of people, when it was projected at least a general 40% increase in the average consumers power bill.

FPU is a large enough company that if it was truly being run efficiently, the 791 K More or less cost of the program that you say is required of hurricane preparedness by power companies, would not amount to much more than them buying 7 or 8 new high-ranger, or line-trucks. They should be running the company to the extent that they could repair, at least one-fourth of their distribution lines anyway. So as a "little-person" I ask you not to grant their request at this time, because I feel it will become a permanent increase in power cost regardless of hurricane seasons. You should be prepared, you should have a plan, but you shouldn't jump the gun.

Respectfully,

Jean H. Watson

cc: Charlie Crist, Gov.

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**CONSUMER**

Dear Director:

**DOCKET # 060638-EI**

I have today received notification of Florida Public Utilities' meeting in Fernandina on May 2 2007, presenting their justification of a rate increase to recover costs associated with mandatory storm preparedness initiatives.

I am seeking the following information concerning FPU's proposal. If possible, please provide it to me before the meeting; if not, please ensure that it is available at the meeting. All of my questions relate to FPU's activities and customers in the City of Fernandina Beach.

1. Please define the financial periods used in the proposal. Does FPU's financial year run from January to December? When it is written that a cost is projected to be \$713,517 in 2007, what time period is involved?
2. What is the amount of costs have been expended by FPU on mandatory storm preparedness in this and prior financial periods? When did the storm hardening begin?
3. Has FPU filed a Storm Hardening plan with FPSC? When was it filed? Is the plan specific in that it describes what changes will be made to what equipment? Or is it still in general terms describing the conditions that their system is expected to withstand after hardening? What is the schedule for its implementation? Will a copy of the plan be available for public inspection at the meeting?
4. What costs have FPU included as 'costs associated with mandatory storm preparedness initiatives'? How have these costs been separated from the normal ongoing costs of system maintenance? How are the expected savings in operating costs resulting from a 'hardened' system reflected in future rate reductions?
5. Does FPU expect this rate increase to be permanent, or to apply solely for the duration of the hardening project? What is the cost (by month) to implement FPU's hardening plan?
6. How will FPU keep the revenue generated from this rate increase separate from its normal operating revenue? How will it account for revenues and expenses charged to the hardening account?
7. Is FPU asking for recovery of an actual cost it has incurred? Or is looking for a rate increase to cover costs that it thinks it may incur?
8. Geographically, what is FPU's service area for which the cost of \$713,517 is projected for 2007? What are the hardening cost estimates for 2007 for each constituency in its service area (including City of Fernandina Beach, and unincorporated Amelia Island)? What are the estimated expenses for each voltage level of distribution (HV transmission, 13kv distribution, 220/110v service)?
9. What is FPU's projected revenue from this rate increase for future periods?

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Thank you for your help. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely



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