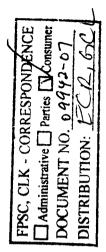
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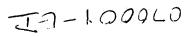
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June 13, 2007

Progress Energy P.O. Box 1551 Raleigh, NC 27602-1551

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Attn: Bob McGehee, Chairman and CEO

Subject: "Fuel Charge"

Please tell me, what is this "Fuel Charge"?

How can it be almost as much as the actual energy charges?

When did you start charging it and why?

Who authorizes you to add this to my bill?

Thank you.

Sincerely,

727-542-0315

Roger T. Goss

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September 23, 2007

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Fuel Charge

I want cast a vote AGAINST the "Fuel Charge".

I'm not a utility lobbyist, pockets loaded with "inducements" to get what I want, no tickets on the 50-yard line. I'm just one of the fools out here paying the bills; mine AND those of the State of Florida ... as in salaries for one.

It would be my guess utilities "compute" this fuel charge and it is just a clever way to maintain/raise profits; I'm also sure it was proposed by the utilities ... right?

Thank you for listening.

Sincerely, Roger T. Goss copy of Progees Energy letter datted July 3, 2007 and my June 13. 2007 letter



July 3, 2007

Mr. Roger T. Goss 1672 S. Lake Ave. Apt. 8 Clearwater, FL 33756

Dear Mr. Goss:

Thank you for your recent letter to Mr. McGehee regarding your concern with the charges on your electric bill. We are committed to excellence at Progress Energy, in serving our customers and in our operations.

Upon receipt of your letter, Ms. Claire Reciniello, Senior Consumer Affairs Associate, contacted you to discuss your concerns. During the conversation you asked to be sent a letter summarizing the information discussed on June 21, 2007. As requested, I have provided a brief synopsis of your telephone conversation with Ms. Reciniello.

Ms. Reciniello explained that Progress Energy's fuel charge is based on kilowatt usage. Ms. Reciniello advised that the fuel charge covers the cost of the fuel required to generate the electricity uses (primarily coal, uranium and oil) as well as power purchased from other utilities, used by Progress Energy to provide electricity. Ms. Reciniello explained that no profit is made on the Fuel Charge and that the cost of fuel is shown separately on the bill because it is the largest single expense involved in the production of electricity. Ms. Reciniello advised that the fuel charge is adjusted every January to reflect fluctuations in the cost of fuel and that Progress Energy continually strives to purchase and utilize fuel as efficiently as possible. Ms. Reciniello advised that Progress Energy decreased the amount of the Fuel Charge in January 2007 as follows:

	2006	<u>2007</u>
Below 1,000kWh	4.979	4.798
Above 1,000kWh	5.979	5.798

Ms. Reciniello explained that Progress Energy's costs and billing practices are regulated by the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) and can be reviewed on the FPSC's website, which is located at <u>http://www.psc.state.fl.us/rules/</u> under Chapter: 25-6.100 Customer Billings. I have enclosed a copy for your review. Ms. Recinello advised that, as a regulated, cost-of-service business, Progress Energy is allowed to pass fuel costs on to customers and that these costs are part of the regulatory framework that Progress Energy operates within. Ms. Reciniello explained that if Progress Energy was required to absorb fuel costs, it would break the regulatory framework between investor-owned utilities.

Thank you for taking the time to write. I hope the information provided has been useful. If I can be of further assistance regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me directly at (727) 523-7683.

Sincerely, risko tanja

Tanya Eisko Consumer Affairs Analyst Progress Energy Florida

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I strongly urge you to look out for the consumer and not approve this rate increase.

Respectfully,

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My concern is not only for the price increase to consumers, (including many who try to live on fixed incomes) but the fact that we see NO NOTICABLE improvements to our service or any observable improvement to our community with this additional income.

Specifically I would like to see a commitment by the Utility (really ALL CTR Utilities) in Florida to install underground service lines and remove the ECR unsightly (and hazardous) utility poles. Living on Florida's only "barrier GCL island" we are acutely aware of the potential damages from hurricanes. The OPC _____ fear of being without electrical power during a hurricane is at the forefront of these concerns. Yet, ALL major electric power lines in this community RCA _____ are above ground and susceptible to storm related damage. A short drive SCR down Fletcher Avenue (A1A) which is only a few yards from the Atlantic SGA Ocean, shows the susceptibility of these power line installations to major SEC _____ wind storms, to say nothing of the unsightliness of these lines. OTH

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I am sure the utility companies would argue that the cost to install underground lines is "prohibitive"; however, I would offer that underground lines offer far superior life spans and much lower maintenance and upkeep costs than above ground lines. In many Northern States (and all major cities) underground utility lines are mandatory. In these States the Public Utility Regulatory Commissions have insisted the frequent rate increases by Utility companies are approved ONLY if a <u>certain amount of underground</u> <u>cabling is installed by the Utility</u>. This applies not only to electric utilities, but also to telephone utilities.

I know for a fact that installing underground lines in Florida is far less expensive than in Northern States, because there is neither underground rock nor very many hills to transverse when installing the lines. Also, the electrical and telephone service is far more reliable, because of a lack of susceptibility to above ground hazards---automobile accidents; falling tree limbs; water intrusions; sun and weather attacks on the lines; etc.

PLEASE do not approve this rate increase without a guaranteed commitment that all Amelia Island electric power lines are moved underground.

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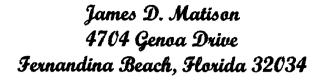
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