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This letters serves to respond to FPL's recent letter to the editor in which FPL claims that:

"Under no circumstances do we ask anyone to take any inappropriate action or to offer us support as a result of charitable contributions or civic memberships. . . . Statewide, just 55 people came to report service problems out of our 4.5 million customers. . . . Our typical residential customer bill will go down in January 2010, not up, due to lower fuel prices and gains in fuel efficiency. . . ."

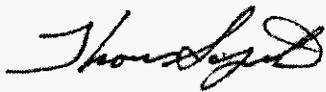
First, of all, why didn't FPL disclose to the Commission the affiliation or relationship that those charitable organizations enjoyed with FPL? Why didn't the organizations identify their relationship with FPL to the Commission?

Second, FPL was required under law to notice each of its 4.5 million customers about the local service hearings being held in their communities. As a customer of FPL, I do not recall receiving any notice from FPL about my right to attend these service hearings before the Commission. The question is whether or not FPL complied with the law and actually provided its 4.5 million customers notice about these local service rate hearings? Maybe that is why only 55 customers complained? Hmmm

Third, FPL has consistently mislead its 4.5 million customers by insisting that the customers' electric bill will be less in January 2010 due to the current \$1.3 billion dollar rate case currently pending before the Public Service Commission. Clearly, if FPL's \$1.3 billion dollar rate increase is approved by the Commission, each of FPL's customers' electric rates will INCREASE by \$12.40 per 1,000 kW of electric power used by the customer. Sure, a decrease in fuel costs will be passed along to FPL's 4.5 million customers because the law requires FPL to do so.

However, the rate increase of \$12.40 cannot be compared to the fuel cost adjustments which vary with the price of a barrel of oil. The FPL \$1.3 billion dollar rate increase is forever and that is the message that FPL does not want its customers to learn about and that is why FPL evades disclosure of this fact by sounding the horn about lower fuel charges.

The Commission should reject and deny FPL's 1.3 billion dollar rate increase request and instead require FPL to provide its 4.5 million customers with lease-to-own solar voltaic systems which would obviate any need for FPL to build two more nuclear power plants.



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