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**DATE:** January 22, 2010  
**TO:** Ann Cole, Commission Clerk - PSC, Office of Commission Clerk  
**FROM:** Cristina Slaton, Executive Secretary to Commissioner Skop   
**RE:** Docket Correspondence

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Ann,

Please place the attached correspondence copied to the Office of Commissioner Skop on the document side of docket numbers 090079-EI, 100001-EI and 100009-EI. This letter is from Senator Mike Fasano of New Port Richey, Florida. Thank you.

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## SENATOR MIKE FASANO

*President Pro Tempore*

11th District

January 20, 2010

The Honorable Nancy Argenziano  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Chairwoman Argenziano:

*Nancy,*

As you know I have long been an opponent of Progress Energy's applications for rate increases and was most pleased when this Commission chose to deny the utility's proposed rate hikes. Because of the Commission's actions *The Tampa Tribune* reported in the January 20, 2010 edition that Progress Energy has decided to stop spending dollars on its nuclear power plants (see attached). I am most pleased that this is one of the outcomes of the Commission's consumer- friendly decision.

Since Progress Energy was allowed to raise rates last year and previously for advance nuclear cost recovery, it only seems fair that the customers who paid those rates should be given a refund for a project that is no longer in the works. Speaking on behalf of my constituents who receive their electricity from Progress Energy I am respectfully requesting that the Commission look into taking action to force Progress Energy to not only refund rates that have been paid, but to lower their base rates which may include any dollars previously allowed for nuclear cost recovery.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. If you would like to discuss this further please do not hesitate to contact me.

Your truly,

Mike Fasano  
State Senator, District 11

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Attachment

Cc: The Honorable Nathan Skop  
The Honorable David Klement  
The Honorable Ben Stevens  
The Honorable Lisa Edgar

**REPLY TO:**

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## Airport to improve pickup areas

Project includes ramps and signs in loading zones.

By **TED JACKOVICS**  
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**TAMPA** » Tampa International Airport is planning to modernize its

curbside roadways and other curbside areas on the ticketing and baggage levels in an \$11.6 million project expected to be completed by May 2012.

The project will improve the approach ramps leading to the curbside passenger load-

ing and unloading areas, along with improving curbside walkways, equipment and furnishings.

New signage will better direct traffic to airlines' curbside baggage locations.

The Hillsborough County Aviation Authority has approved Alfonso Architects Inc. of Tampa for the design services portion of the project.

Reporter **Ted Jackovics** can be reached at (813) 259-7817.

## Cadbury likely to take sweeter Kraft Foods bid

British alarmed at losing iconic brand.

The Associated Press  
**LONDON** » After months of fierce resistance, Cadbury's about-face to accept a sweetened \$19.5 billion takeover from Kraft Foods — forming the world's biggest

cent higher than Cadbury's market value before Kraft, based in Northfield, Ill., went public with its approach in September.

The combination of the pair would create the world's biggest confectionary company, replacing Mars Inc., and Kraft



## BIZ BITS

### Crist extends access to aid for farmers

Gov. Charlie Crist extended for seven days the state of emergency that allows Florida farmers to access disaster relief after a lengthy freeze that extended through last week.

The state estimated that 30 percent of farmers' crops were lost.

### Utility reacts to rate hike rejection

Progress Energy Inc. said it would scrap spending on nuclear power plants and other capital improvements after Florida regulators rejected the company's request last week for \$368 million in rate increases this year.

Separately, Raleigh, N.C.-based Progress Energy warned in a statement that it cut its 2009 earnings forecast and said it expects profit this year to be \$2.85 to \$3.05 a share, below analysts' estimates.

### Jacksonville paper's

and The Florida Times-Union in Jacksonville announced last week that it would file a prepackaged plan, approved by a majority of its creditors, in federal bankruptcy court by Tuesday.

### Japan Airlines to restructure

Japan Airlines Corp. filed Tuesday for court-ordered rehabilitation, the Japanese equivalent of Chapter 11, that will allow the carrier to operate as it undergoes restructuring.

Delta Air Lines and American Airlines are offering financial support to JAL in exchange for revenue sharing and greater coordination on routes and ticket prices.

JAL's debt totaled \$25.6 billion in September, making it Japan's largest postwar, non-financial bankruptcy.

### Bernanke asks for investigation