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From: Janet Brunson
Sent: Friday, July 15, 2016 1:40 PM
To: 'bobebuntin@gmail.com'
Cc: Consumer Correspondence
Subject: FPL Rate Increase - Docket No. 160021-EI

Thank you for contacting the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) about Florida Power & Light Company's (FPL) rate petition. To give Commissioners and staff an opportunity to review your comments, your correspondence is included in the file for Docket No.160021-EI.

As you know, the PSC customer service hearings were held in June in FPL's service territory for Commissioners to hear directly from customers about the utility's rate request and service. All customer comments during the hearings and all correspondence will be reviewed and considered when PSC staff prepares its recommendation to the Commissioners on FPL's proposed rates.

The PSC's evidentiary hearing on FPL's rate case will be in August in Tallahassee. Witnesses from the utility, intervenors, Commission staff, and the Public Counsel, who represents customers, will present testimony and exhibits and be cross-examined by the Commissioners and other parties. Commissioners will examine FPL's need for a rate increase, its existing and proposed rate structure, and its ability to provide safe and reliable service.

Commissioners are charged with making sure that Florida's utility companies fulfill their service obligation. The PSC will ensure that final customer rates reflect only those costs that are prudent and necessary for FPL to deliver quality electric service to your home or business. Any proposed rate adjustment is requested to begin in January 2017.

If you have additional questions or need further assistance, please call 1-800-342-3552. If you want updated case information, visit the PSC's website, www.floridapsc.com and click on the Clerk's Office tab, then hit Dockets and type in case number 160021.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello
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From: Collin Roehner **On Behalf Of** Records Clerk
Sent: Thursday, July 14, 2016 8:37 AM
To: 'Bob Buntin'
Subject: RE: FPL Rate Hike

Good morning Mr. Buntin,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 160021-EI and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

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From: Bob Buntin [<mailto:bobebuntin@gmail.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2016 9:13 PM

To: Records Clerk

Subject: FPL Rate Hike

With FPL online for a windfall profit in 2017, it is ridiculous to even consider a rate increase for a company that has a monopoly in the state of Florida or any other state where such conditions exist, if present at all. Monopolies are not allowed by the Federal Government and should not be allowed here in our state. Florida and the Federal Government should seriously consider divesting/splitting the company as it has done others in the past such as AT&T. Divesting FPL into smaller companies would allow fair competition (no competition now) and lower rates at every level and help our local economy.

Raising rates to offset corporate executive income and stock holder profits is not justification for a rate hike. Florida is and has been a safe haven for retirees. Most of these retirees are on fixed incomes and no hope of increasing their income in order to keep up with inflation and greed of major corporations such as FPL. Our state welcomes retirees and these retirees give back to our state in many forms. I am one of these retirees and we are not freeloaders, nor are we on welfare, but if our state government approves unjustified rate hikes, we may all soon have to be.....

I am asking you and the board to seriously consider the ramifications to us all if you approve an unjustified rate hike for the sake of Big Corporate.

Thank you for your consideration.

Bob Buntin

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