From: Ruth McHargue

**Sent:** Thursday, March 02, 2017 12:03 PM

To:Consumer CorrespondenceCc:Diane Hood; Janet BrunsonSubject:FW: To CLK Docket 160186

Attachments: Re Docket # 160186-EI – Please Reject Fixed Charge Increase ; Re Docket # 160186-EI –

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#### Customer correspondence

From: Diane Hood

Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 2:20 PM

To: Ruth McHargue

Subject: To CLK Docket 160186

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From: Tarah Tonkins <tarah459@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 1:26 AM

**To:** Consumer Contact

**Subject:** Re: Docket # 160186-EI – Please Reject Fixed Charge Increase

Dear Public Service Commission,

Gulf Power already has one of the highest fixed charges in the region, and the country. Their proposed rate hike is unprecedented, unnecessary, and unfair. I am writing to ask you to reject this proposed rate hike in Docket 160186-EI.

There is no justifiable reason to increase the monthly fixed charge to \$48. This increase is not the type of energy policy that we should be working towards in Florida. This rate hike effectively punishes good behavior, by forcing me to pay an extraordinarily high monthly charge regardless of how much power I actually use. I already try to be careful about how much electricity I use every month, but this proposal would mean I have even less control over my monthly bill.

In trying economic times, utilities should not be increasing their profits on the backs of already strained customers with unfair rate structures. Please reject this proposal from Gulf Power.

Tarah Tonkins 2013 Sequoia Circle Pensacola, FL 32526

From: Ina Hampton <ahamptonresearch@aol.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 2:52 AM

**To:** Consumer Contact

**Subject:** Re: Docket # 160186-EI – Please Reject Fixed Charge Increase

Dear Public Service Commission,

As a concerned customer of Gulf Power, I am writing to ask you to reject the proposed rate hike in Docket 160186-EI. There is no justifiable reason to increase the monthly fixed charge to \$48. This increase is unprecedented and not the type of energy policy that we should be working towards in Florida. Other utility commissions around the country have already rejected similar proposals, and there is no reason for Florida to do differently.

By charging me nearly \$50 every month, regardless of how much electricity I use, this rate hike will effectively punishes good behavior! If I chose to invest in energy efficiency or simply be thrifty with how much power I use every month, I will still be hit with a higher bill. Charges like this hurt hardworking families, those on fixed incomes, and our most vulnerable community members. This is not a fair practice; please reject this proposal.

Ina Hampton 3005 Seabrook St. Pensacola, FL 32505 850- DEAF. Use email only.

From: Jack Holland <jholland051@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 3:40 AM

**To:** Consumer Contact

**Subject:** Re: Docket # 160186-EI – Please Reject Fixed Charge Increase

#### Dear Public Service Commission,

I am writing to you as a concerned Gulf Power customer. Their proposed rate hike will lead to sky-high monthly bills that I will have hardly any control over, no matter how thrifty I am with my electricity use. This is not good rate design and I am asking you to reject this proposal. Charges like this hurt hardworking families, those on fixed incomes, and our most vulnerable community members.

Gulf Power already has one of the highest fixed charges in the region, and the country. Their proposed rate hike is unprecedented, unnecessary, and unfair, a scheme to make money off the backs of regular people. There is no justifiable reason to increase the monthly fixed charge to \$48. This increase is not the type of energy policy that we should be working towards in Florida, and I hope that you will reject the proposal.

Jack Holland 6341 Ladera Trail Pace, FL 32571

From: Madeline Lowrance <halavan11@hotmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 1:40 AM

**To:** Consumer Contact

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Madeline Lowrance 3120 Birdseye Cir Gulf Breeze, FL 32563 850 776 1930

From: Ilean Du <Ileene@whsbf-law.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 3:11 AM

**To:** Consumer Contact

**Subject:** Re: Docket # 160186-EI – Please Reject Fixed Charge Increase

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