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From: Office of Commissioner Brown
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 8:52 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: FW: Utilities, Inc. Florida Docket No. 20160101 rate increase request

Good Morning,

Please place the attached email in Docket Correspondence, Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket No. 20160101-WS. Thank you.

From: Karl Willard [<mailto:kpwillard@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2017 4:51 PM
To: Office Of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner Polmann; Office of Commissioner Brown; Office of Commissioner Brisé; Walter Trierweiler; Emily Knoblauch; Amber Norris; Penny Buys; Robert Graves; Sonica Bruce; Marissa Friedrich; Laura King; Carlotta Stauffer; Ronald Brisé; Justin Sowards; Wesley Taylor; Greg Shafer; Keith Hetrick
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If Lee Constantine's allegation in the first sentence of the editorial appearing in the Orlando Sentinel (see image below) has even a shred of validity, you ought to be ashamed and moreover terminated from your positions, salaries paid by Florida taxpayers.

If the requested rate increase is voted in by the PSC Commissioners they too should be ashamed and terminated from their paid positions.



OBSCENE RATE INCREASES

Lee Constantine, commissioner, Seminole County:

The Public Service Commission staff's habit of leaving for jobs from the very companies they are authorized to regulate has always brought into question their ethics and judgment. But their latest recommendation makes me shake my head in disbelief. With the PSC decision looming on Utilities Inc.'s consolidation rate increase Aug. 3, the

staff is supporting a \$5.5 million increase, with more than \$4 million, or 70 percent-plus, coming from customers in Seminole, Orange and Lake counties. One system, in Orange, would see a 212 percent rate increase. We should not subsidize Utilities Inc.'s 16 separate systems. State law requires a "reasonable and not unfairly discriminatory" rate. Public Service commissioners, abide by the law: Say no to these obscene rate increases.

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