

Brandy Butler

From: Janet Brunson
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 4:20 PM
To: 'Wallace Sterling'
Cc: Consumer Correspondence
Subject: Docket No. 20170271-EI

Dear Mr. Sterling:

Thank you for your recent inquiry to the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC). Tampa Electric Company (Tampa Electric) requested interim recovery of Tropical Storm Erika, Tropical Storm Colin, Hurricane Hermine, Hurricane Matthew and Hurricane Irma restoration costs as a result of the 2017 Amended and Restated Settlement Agreement approved by the PSC on November 27, 2017. Tampa Electric has proposed a monthly charge of \$4.00 per 1,000 kWh on a residential bill for 22 months, beginning March 1, 2018.

To give Commissioners and staff an opportunity to review and understand your concerns about Tampa Electric's petition for its 2018 Interim Storm Restoration Recovery Charge, I have placed your letter on the correspondence side of the docket file. All customer comments, including yours, will be reviewed and considered when PSC staff prepare its recommendation to the Commissioners on Tampa Electric's petition.

Commissioners are charged with making sure that Florida's utility companies, including Tampa Electric, fulfill their service obligation. In its petition, Tampa Electric said its monthly charge is needed to recover approximately \$87.377 million from customers to cover costs associated with Tropical Storm Erika, Tropical Storm Colin, Hurricane Hermine, Hurricane Matthew and Hurricane Irma and to replenish a storm reserve. Requested restoration costs will be analyzed by the PSC and any over/under recovery by Tampa Electric will be refunded or collected with interest. The PSC will ensure that final customer charges reflect only those costs that are prudent and necessary for Tampa Electric to deliver quality electric service to your home or business.

Thank you again for your correspondence, and if you have additional questions or need further assistance, please call our toll-free number 1-800-342-3552. If you want updated case information, visit the PSC's website, www.floridapsc.com; look for the Clerks tab, then hit Dockets, and type in the Tampa Electric case number 20170271.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello, Assistant Director
Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach

-----Original Message-----

From: Wallace Sterling [mailto:wsterlin@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Sunday, December 31, 2017 5:24 PM
To: Consumer Contact
Subject: NO, NO, NO

As a retired teacher living in Hillsborough County, I loudly say NO (nix, nein, nay., nope, nada) to any proposed rate increase by TECO to possibly cover cost of recent OSHA fines, even for loss of revenue. We have had it with this monopolistic and aggressive and uncaring utility.

Wallace Sterling
Tampa FL