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From: Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 11:38 AM
To: 'efrank1211@hotmail.com'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Don't let monopoly utilities make it harder for customers to control our energy use;
Docket Nos. 20190015 to 20190021

Good Morning, Ms. Franklin.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket Numbers 20190015 to 20190021, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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From: efrank1211@everyactioncustom.com [<mailto:efrank1211@everyactioncustom.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 11:30 AM
To: Records Clerk
Subject: Don't let monopoly utilities make it harder for customers to control our energy use; Docket Nos. 20190015 to 20190021

Dear Florida Public Service Commission,

I am a Florida utility customer and solar energy supporter. The 2019 Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA) proceedings before the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) present an opportunity to substantially strengthen Florida's energy conservation goals. I respectfully request the PSC to challenge Florida Power and Light (FPL), Docket 20190015, to increase its energy efficiency goals through higher FEECA standards. I urge you to adopt goals that will meaningfully help families cut energy waste and save money on bills.

Florida is one of the most vulnerable areas of the country to the consequences of global climate change, with southeast Florida being most vulnerable to the impacts of a changing climate, especially sea level rise. Furthermore, in my city, Hollywood, low and moderate income residents comprise 48% of the City's population. As temperatures increase and extreme heat waves become more common, the struggle for low and moderate income households to afford electricity will become more difficult, further straining household budgets or forcing residents to endure the heat and humidity without air conditioning.

We all want to make our homes more efficient, comfortable, and secure. Robust efficiency programs play a critical role for many hard-working families who do not have the resources to upgrade their homes.

Efficiency helps lower bills for all customers by burning less fuel and deferring construction of costly future power plants. Yet, the most recent proposed utility goals continue an alarming trend where utilities pass up the opportunity to invest in energy efficiency measures.

Florida trails way behind other states across the country and the Southeast in capturing energy savings for customers. Now, several of the state's largest utilities have proposed goals of zero or close to zero. We already pay some of the highest electric bills in the nation. Hard-working families will see their bills increase even more if the utilities get their way.

Higher energy efficiency standards must be a priority. Not only is this necessary for environmental protection, but it is also feasible, as companies around the nation have proven. Please support goals that are in line with the energy savings captured by leading states, and that will spur investments in energy efficiency to as many customers as possible. Let's not leave savings on the table.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,
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