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DATE:

August 22, 2019

TO:

Adam J. Teitzman, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Suzanne S. Brownless, Special Counsel, Office of the General Counsel

RE:

Docket No. 20190001-EI - Fuel and purchased power cost recovery clause with

generating performance incentive factor.

Please place attached email in the above docketed file as correspondence.

### **Lisa Smith**

From:

Suzanne Brownless

Sent:

Wednesday, August 21, 2019 9:22 AM

To: Subject: Lisa Smith

Attachments:

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Lisa: Can you please make a memo for clerk and put this in the 20190001-El docket on the correspondence side. If this is a repeat of what we have already placed in the docket, disregard it.

Many thanks, Suzanne

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From: Suzanne Brownless

Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 9:21 AM

To: Lisa Smith

Subject: FW: FPL issues

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From: Beatrice Balboa [mailto:beatricebalboa@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 9:16 PM

To: Suzanne Brownless Subject: Fwd: FPL issues

I was reading the latest news media regarding the alleged rampant underqualified contractors and subcontractors working for and with FPL (attached documentation). Please continue to keep an extremely close eye regarding FPL machinations with these issues as FPL ratepayers should NOT be "footing the bill" on FPL and/or NextEra out-of-state investment strategies, solar power "monopolization", "tax accounting sleight of hands" and "pollution" activities. FPL should be devoting all their energies in meeting and/or exceeding the 2017 National Electrical Safety Code® (NESC®) standards (which sets the ground rules and

guidelines for practical safeguarding of utility workers and the public during the installation, operation, and maintenance of electric supply, communication lines and associated equipment) for storm hardening of the State of Florida electrical infrastructure. FPL should NOT be devoting all their energies requesting and lobbying for more storm hardening fees and rate increases as well as "accounting shenanigans" that should have already been completed after both Hurricane Andrew (1992) and Hurricane Irma (2017).

I look forward to your offices taking the necessary actions to address hardworking taxpayers citizens' concerns from the City of Pompano Beach, Broward County, State of Florida.

Thank you for your time in this matter.

Sincerely,

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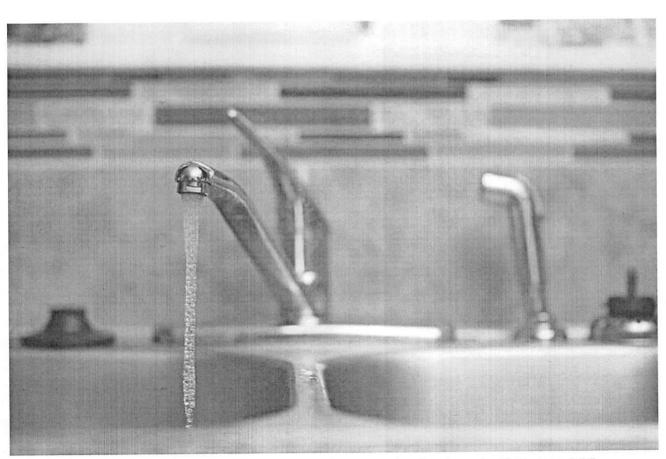


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For the second time in as many months, a worker for Florida Power & Light cut a water line, disrupting service, this time in Lauderhill.

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Residents of Lauderhill still must boil their water after utility workers cut into a water line Sunday, the latest episode involving Florida Power & Light Co.

A subcontractor for FPL <u>cut into the 6-inch water main</u> while trying to install a new utility pole at Northwest 26th Street and State Road 7.

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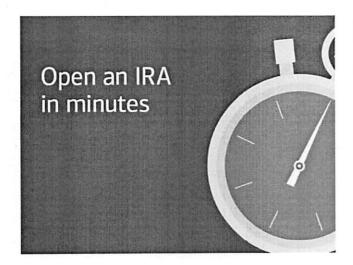
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City spokeswoman Leslie Johnson said 411 properties — 133 businesses and 278 homes — were still under a boil order Tuesday. It could be lifted Wednesday if tests show the water is safe to drink.

The affected area includes 2351-2551 NW 41st Avenue, 26th Street from State Road 7 to Northwest 42nd Avenue, and 2439-2701 State Road 7.

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Lauderhill Mayor Ken Thurston said workers "were digging to the foundation so they could set the pole in place and in the process they nicked the water line."

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A representative from the subcontractor, Edison Power, of Mesa, Ariz., reported the break to the city's water plant about 2:30 a.m. Sunday. The city shut off the water, and the water main was fixed by 7 p.m., Johnson said.

# FPL again blamed for water disruption Double shooting leaves two men critically wounded, cops say Parts of Lauderhill told to boil water after FPL contractor breaks water main

FPL refused to identify the subcontractor, but the website for Edison Power says it is working for FPL in its hardening program, which is supposed to make the electrical system more resilient to storms.

A representative from Edison Power could not be reached for comment by phone or email Tuesday.

Last month, another FPL subcontractor, Florida Communication Concepts, of Wellington, drilled into a critical <u>water main in Fort Lauderdale</u>, leaving some 220,000 people without drinkable water.

The subcontractor said it had clearance to dig where it did, but the city said Florida Communication Concepts gave an incorrect location.

Five businesses that lost thousands of dollars during the water shutdown are suing FPL and Florida Communication Concepts.

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## Homeless man killed in street argument, Fort Lauderdale police say

An argument in the streets of Fort Lauderdale led to a violent confrontation, when one man struck another man who fell, injured his head and died, authorities said Wednesday.

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