## **Brian Schultz**

From:	Brian Schultz on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent:	Tuesday, October 29, 2019 2:58 PM
То:	'jrhamm1@hotnail.com'
Cc:	Consumer Contact
Subject:	RE: Stop utilities from making it harder to save money on bills; Docket Nos. 20190015 to 20190021

Good Afternoon, Jerry Hammond

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

Sincerely,

Brian Schultz

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From: Jerry Hammond [mailto:Jerry.Hammond.249002715@p2a.co]
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 9:18 AM
To: Records Clerk
Subject: Stop utilities from making it harder to save money on bills; Docket Nos. 20190015 to 20190021

Dear Florida Public Service Commission,

Hi my name is Jerry Hammond and I live in Oakland Park.

The perspectives of Big Energy and the State Public Services Commission are focused backwards, not forwards (short-profits over near-to-long term environmental protection). The State should be more transparent and accommodating when it comes to public input. Barely meeting the minimal legal public notice requirements will not bode well for Big Energy, sell-out Commissioners or the politicians who appointed them, especially if Florida flips to a Democratic majority in 2020. I guess the thinking is to grab the money now and run away with it when the electorate rises up at last to drain Florida's swamp.

I am writing to urge you to reject the request by Florida utilities to have a goal of zero (or nearly zero) on energy efficiency for the next ten years.

I am concerned that if the energy efficiency goals are abandoned, the utilities will stop providing the kinds of

services that help people lower their power bills. People shouldn't have to choose between paying for food, medicine, or rent and being comfortable in their own homes.

Florida is ranked near the bottom of the nation in terms of energy efficiency — we should be increasing energy efficiency measures, not abandoning them. We know that increasing energy efficiency is one of the cheapest and easiest ways to fight the global warming that's causing neighborhood flooding and other serious problems in Florida.

When this issue comes back before you, I ask you please to vote to strengthen our energy efficiency goals.

Regards, Jerry Hammond

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