

**Lisa Smith**

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**From:** Angie Calhoun  
**Sent:** Monday, August 9, 2021 3:57 PM  
**To:** Consumer Correspondence  
**Cc:** Diane Hood  
**Subject:** FW: To CLK Docket 20210034  
**Attachments:** TECO proposed rate hike; Fwd Delivery Status Notification (Failure); Docket #20210034-El; 20210034-El; TECO rate increase; Re Electric bill; Fwd 20210034El; E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER 184428; Fw Docket No. 20210034El; FW PSC Contact Form

Consumer correspondence for docket 020210034.

Angela Calhoun

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**From:** Kevin Arnold <arnoldent@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 7, 2021 11:31 AM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** TECO proposed rate hike

To whom it concerns;

I am writing regarding the proposed rate hike by Tampa Electric Co (TECO). Every year TECO and other utilities continue to petition for rate hikes and some are granted and some have been denied (rarely). This proposed rate hike is unnecessary and it is excessive in its amount.

First the growth in TECO's coverage area of new homes and other building has given them a windfall of income with little improvement of services to warrant a rate hike. Sure there is a cost to maintaining and adding new systems to meet demand but this cost which mostly should have already been factored in their operating budgets, is certainly met with the increase in customers they did not have in prior years. We are talking about hundreds of families per day moving into this coverage area. Multiplied by the average electric bill gives TECO Millions in new funds.

As for the amount of the requested increase. The proposed increase asks for a change to both the Basic Service Charge, and the Energy and Demand Charge for Standard Residential Rates. The Basic Service Charge will increase by 0.20 cents per day and the Energy charge will increase by 1.375 cents per kilowatt hour (kWh) for the first 1000 kWh and the same amount 1.375 cents per kWh for all additional kilowatts.

On the surface this does not seem like a lot but this is where the consumer takes a beating as it appears to only be a few cents. Let's look at a demonstration of a small home of 1400 sq ft using the same amount of kWh per month of 1400. This would normally be a basic charge of \$15.05 going up to \$15.75. Then the Energy charge for 1400 kWh would normally be \$52.25 going to \$66.00 for the first 1000 kWh and then the remaining 400 kWh would normally be \$24.90 going to \$30.40.

This proposed increase would have consumers for this small house seeing an increase in their electric bill of \$19.95 a month. Plus the costs for a Fuel charge, plus storm protection charges, and taxes. Which since fuel has gone down from the highs a several years ago when the fuel charges became necessary yet they have never been removed. Fuel charges are per kWh as well and for this example home would be about an additional \$44.38. So by the time the consumer in such a small home receives their bill they are looking at a steady line of increase resulting in additional expenses on them in a time when many are still hurting from Covid -19. The bill in this example would be \$160.49 before taxes. more than a \$30 increase per month. This is enough to put some home budgets in the red and possibly out of electricity.

Please review this proposal carefully and deny this proposed increase.

Sincerely  
Kevin Arnold  
Ruskin Florida

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Help me bring Government by the people back  
<http://conventionofstates.com/?ref=58281>

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**From:** Judy Huff <judyjh1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 7, 2021 7:08 PM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** Fwd: Delivery Status Notification (Failure)

Subject: Docket no. 20210034-EI

**To Whom will be deciding on this proposal:**

My husband and I are senior citizens who live on a fixed income as are a good majority of the people who reside in Florida. It was brought to our attention that Teco is proposing a 19% rate increase.

This will create a very big increase in everyone's electric bill at a time when inflation is already causing an enormous hardship on people who live on a fixed income such as ourselves and millions of others in Florida. Please take this into consideration when making your decision on their proposed increased.

Thankyou,  
Earl and Judy Huff

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**From:** laxdude5485 <laxdude5485@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 8, 2021 3:50 AM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** Docket #20210034-EI

Dear Sir/Madam:

I hereby urge the Commission to deny Teco's request for residential electric rate increases. People are suffering financially from the pandemic, as well as inflation and severely elevated gasoline prices.

At this time, my job may be reducing hours due to the corona delta variant. I simply cannot afford a severe rate hike as Teco proposes. With the addition of their solar farms, Teco should be maintaining the current rates as is. The solar farms utilizing sunlight is already helping to produce electricity and lower Teco's expenses.

In conclusion, I urge the Commission to deny Teco's rate increase request and to maintain rates the same at this time. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,  
Jordan Lester

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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**From:** Sue Riedl <sue.riedl22@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 8, 2021 4:15 PM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** 20210034-EI

Dear Tom

I am a senior citizen and on a low budget. So far it has been ok, but if you raise the electric rate, I'll be over the budget. Please help all of us not just the politicians. Thank you.

Sue Riedl

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**From:** Anthony Magerowski <magerowskia@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 8, 2021 4:36 PM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** TECO rate increase

As a retiree, I can't afford such a rate increase. It's not like I can shut off my air conditioning. The a/c is already set at 78. I can't stop washing clothes, dishes or taking showers. I hope you'll consider how many retired people live in Florida. Most of us do not have unlimited funds. Yes, there are many living here who are wealthy, but they are not the majority. Don't forget, many who live here, who are working, also cannot afford an increase.

Mary Magerowski  
3512 Meteor PL  
Valrico, FL 33594

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**From:** Roger Currin <[roger\\_currin@yahoo.com](mailto:roger_currin@yahoo.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 9, 2021 2:48 PM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** Re: Electric bill

Teco rate height. Heard 20% rate increase.

On Monday, August 9, 2021, 10:28:18 AM EDT, Consumer Contact <[contact@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us)> wrote:

08/09/2021

Dear Mr. Currin:

This e-mail is in response to your recent inquiry to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regarding a rate increase.

It would be beneficial if you could provide the following information:

\* The name of the utility or docket number associated with your protest.

You may send this information by reply e-mail, or at the address and/or fax number listed below.

Sincerely,

Angela Calhoun  
Regulatory Consultant  
Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach

[contact@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us)  
Toll Free - 800-342-3552  
Toll Free Fax 800-511-0809

Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

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

From: Roger Currin <[roger\\_currin@yahoo.com](mailto:roger_currin@yahoo.com)>  
Sent: Monday, August 9, 2021 9:36 AM  
To: Records Clerk <[CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US](mailto:CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US)>

**Subject: Electric bill**

**No**

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**From:** Helen Mwai <helenmwai@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 9, 2021 12:22 PM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** Fwd: 20210034EI

See my objection below...

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Helen Mwai <Helenmwai@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** August 9, 2021 at 11:41:17 AM EDT  
**To:** Clerk@psc.fl.us  
**Subject:** 20210034EI

Hello,

As a customer of TECO, I firmly oppose a 19% rate increase. With the COVID Pandemic still impacting our economy, I would say a much smaller increase is reasonable. No one I know got a 19% salary increase so why would we allow TECO's rate increase to be approved.

Thank you!

Helen

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**From:** consumerComplaint@psc.state.fl.us  
**Sent:** Monday, August 9, 2021 1:18 PM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 184428

### **CUSTOMER INFORMATION**

Name: Teresa Abreu  
Telephone: (813) 695-9955  
Email: tiateria@gmail.com  
Address: 9460 Soaring Hawk Ln Seffner FL 33584

### **BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Business Account Name: Teresa Abreu  
Account Number:  
Address: 9460 Soaring Hawk Ln Seffner FL 33584

### **COMPLAINT INFORMATION**

Complaint: Other Complaint against Tampa Electric Company

Details:

Gentlemen,

Please, It is my concern that the TECO 19% proposed increase in rate is completely unjust. I am against this increase.  
Please take my request to not allow this increase to pass into consideration.

Thank you for your attention.

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**From:** Anne Marie Girolami <agirolami@email.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 9, 2021 2:36 PM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** Fw: Docket No. 20210034EI

I do not support the rate increase proposed. Please vote no on this proposal.

NO rate increase for TECO during this pandemic emergency we have all endured!  
Anne Marie

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P.E.O. is a philanthropic organization where women CELEBRATE the advancement of women; EDUCATE women through scholarships, grants, awards, loans, and stewardship of Cottey College and MOTIVATE women to achieve their highest aspirations.

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**Sent:** Monday, August 09, 2021 at 2:24 PM  
**From:** "Anne Marie Girolami" <agirolami@email.com>  
**To:** Clerk@psc.state.fl.us  
**Subject:** Docket No. 20210034EI

I do not support the rate increase proposed. Please vote no on this proposal.

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**From:** Webmaster  
**Sent:** Monday, August 9, 2021 2:51 PM  
**To:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** FW: PSC Contact Form

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

From: contact@psc.state.fl.us <contact@psc.state.fl.us>  
Sent: Monday, August 09, 2021 2:38 PM  
To: Webmaster <webmaster@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
Cc: agirolami@email.com  
Subject: PSC Contact Form

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information:

Name: Anne Girolami  
Company:  
Primary Phone:  
Secondary Phone:  
Email: agirolami@email.com

Response requested? No

CC Sent? Yes

Comments:

Docket No. 20210034EI--I do not support the rate increase proposed. Please vote no on this proposal.

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