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From: Ellen Plendl
Sent: Thursday, September 9, 2021 7:40 AM
To: Consumer Correspondence
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Attachments: more machinations; Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

See attached customer correspondence and FPSC reply for Docket No. 20210015.

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Sent: Thursday, September 9, 2021 7:28 AM
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Attachments: Florida group opposing FPL rate hike told to reveal members _ Miami Herald.pdf;
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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my deepest disappointment and outrage that FPL and NextEra Energy, the parent company of FPL Corporation, are allegedly possibly engaging in political machinations of the most egregious and unethical sort in the State of Florida government system of the rule of law (attached article for review and consideration).

Residential rate-payers may be possibly unwittingly and unwillingly complicit in these political shenanigans via the additional outrageous proposed rate increase currently submitted for the State of Florida Public Service Commission review and consideration.

"Throwing good money after bad money" to an energy industrial sector that only seeks immediate private financial and political power largess at the expense of the public common good (reliable and robust electrical delivery infrastructure at reasonable rates) speaks volume of the ongoing dialogue between corporate behemoths like FPL/NextEra Energy and the small people (salt of the earth)

Thank you for your time in these matters and hope to hear from you soon.

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Public Service Commission says group opposing FPL rate increase must reveal its members

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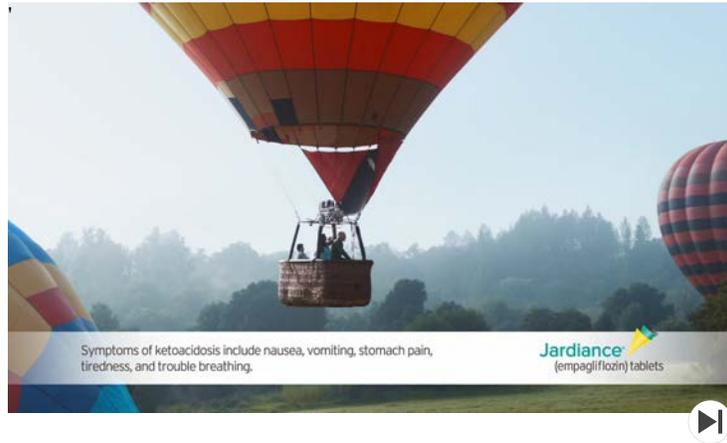
State regulators Wednesday refused to reconsider a decision that would lead to the disclosure of information about members of a new group fighting Florida Power & Light over a proposed increase in base electric rates.

The group, Floridians Against Increased Rates, or FAIR, asked the state Public Service Commission to keep confidential certain information it submitted to regulators about its members. Commission Chairman Gary Clark last month rejected the confidentiality request, but FAIR asked the full commission to reconsider the issue.

FAIR contended that the information is a trade secret and that disclosure could harm its members.

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But with no discussion, the commission Wednesday approved a recommendation from its staff to deny the request for reconsideration. The recommendation said state law provides a public-records exemption for trade secrets but that FAIR had not adequately made its case.

“Staff believes that FAIR’s mere assertion that its membership roster comprises FAIR’s trade secret information is not enough to persuade the commission to grant confidential classification as requested,” the recommendation said. “Staff believes that FAIR has failed to provide any details which demonstrates how the documents contain information relating to trade secrets and competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of the information.”

The confidentiality issue is part of a broader dispute about FAIR as Florida Power & Light seeks approval of a proposed four-year settlement that would lead to base-rate increases for customers. The commission is scheduled Sept. 20 to start a multi-day hearing on the proposal, which includes proposed rate increases of \$692 million in January and \$560 million in 2023, with additional increases in 2024 and 2025 to pay for solar-energy projects. FPL has sought to keep FAIR out of the rate case, alleging that it is a “shell” organization.

Also Wednesday, Gov. Ron DeSantis announced the reappointment of Arthur Graham and Andrew Fay to the PSC, the governor’s office said in a press release.

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I'm against this increase. They can add my name. What a dumb issue for FPL to take up.

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Power restored at 2 Surfside buildings after residents spend over a day without electricity

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SURFSIDE, FLA. (WSVN) - Residents who live in two Surfside apartment buildings have had the power restored to their units, but they spent the past day and a half without electricity, causing concern for the elderly in the area.

Power initially went out before lunchtime on Tuesday for those who live at 9124 and 9140 Collins Avenue. Florida Power & Light crews have since restored electricity to the two buildings.

An FPL spokesperson released a statement on the incident, which reads: "We are aware of a service interruption at 9124 Collins Avenue in Surfside and apologize for the inconvenience this created for our customers. Contractors who were working on a new building in the area accidentally hit one of our transformers, which caused the outage. Our crews were on-site and worked safely and as quickly as possible. At this time, power has been restored."

Earlier Wednesday night, residents expressed their frustration at the lack of electricity inside of their units.

"No air conditioning, nothing," resident Glorinda Diaz said. "Yeah, it's a big problem."



At least 10 FPL trucks worked through the night to get the power restored to the affected units.

In the meantime, those like Odin Bujeiro, who works from home, have been inconvenienced.

"It is inconvenient. Something that affects your business," Bujeiro said.

Others also expressed concern for their elderly neighbors.

"My concern is that we have a neighbor that she's 91," Mur said. "She's living by herself."

"We've been contacting this woman. This is a woman who is very old," Bujeiro said.

Dozens of crew members were on scene with their trucks, and they shut down the right lane of Collins Avenue while they worked to restore the power.

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Dear Ms. Balboa:

This is in response to your September 9 email to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regarding Florida Power & Light Company (FPL).

We will add your feedback and the articles you shared to Docket No. 20210015.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

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