

Antonia Hover

From: Cristina Slaton
Sent: Friday, October 22, 2021 8:53 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket Correspondence 20210015
Attachments: We Can't Afford Higher Rates; We Can't Afford Higher Rates; Start Holding Monopoly
Utility FPL Accountable

Good morning,

Please place the attached emails in CORRESPONDENCE-Consumers & Representatives in docket 20210015.

Thank you!

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From: liliana@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Liliana Cruz
<liliana@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, October 22, 2021 8:36 AM
To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa
Subject: We Can't Afford Higher Rates

Dear Mike LaRosa,

I am writing as a concerned Florida resident and customer of Florida Power & Light (FPL). I received notification that FPL intends to increase rates for their customers across the state, hurting the most vulnerable in our communities the most. We urge you to rethink this decision and not increase our bills.

This past year has been challenging and unrelenting, and folks have spent it worrying; worrying about the health and safety of their families and friends; worrying about finding work or being safe at work; worrying about the future of the business they built from the ground up; and worrying about making sure that they could keep the lights and heat on at home. For many of us, the pandemic has changed all of our lives in ways we'll still likely be grappling with long after the pandemic comes to an end.

Nevertheless, for some reason, corporate greed seems to be more important than the sustainability of our communities and our livelihood. This was evident when FPL, among several other power companies resumed closing customer accounts due to non-payment during the second wave of the pandemic. Now, they want to increase rates for their most vulnerable customers. We can't allow companies to continue taking advantage of working-class families, and luckily, you have the power NOW to stop this.

Our families need relief, real solutions to the climate crisis and fair and affordable utility rates. By raising prices, FPL is treating energy as a commodity when it's a necessity. We are demanding that Florida Power & Light halt this unfair plan and that Florida's Public Service Commission require FPL to maintain fair rates for their consumers, and prioritize the communities they serve.

Sincerely,
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From: willychrispinjr@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Willy Chrispin
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Sent: Thursday, October 21, 2021 7:21 PM
To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa
Subject: We Can't Afford Higher Rates

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Sincerely,
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Antonia Hover

From: Vilma Spanger <vspanger@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 21, 2021 6:57 PM
To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa
Subject: Start Holding Monopoly Utility FPL Accountable

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October 21, 2021

Dear Commissioner La Rosa,

I understand that Florida Power & Light is asking the commission to accept the settlement and rate increases. Given the massive profits these companies rake in, I do not believe these rate increases are justified.

Not only is FPL profiteering on the backs of their Florida customers, they all have an energy mix that runs counter to current energy market trends. Today, the natural gas and/or coal generation heavily relied on by FPL is more expensive than solar paired with storage. Worse yet, as these plants age they become more costly to operate and are at great risk of becoming stranded assets.

By contrast, in parts of the U.S. solar generated electricity paired with storage is selling for between \$22 and \$26 per MWh, and that price is guaranteed for the next 20 years!!! Yet, in our "Sunshine State" we still get less than 3 percent of our electricity from solar. Why should I be forced to pay for the poor decisions of these monopoly utilities?

The only thing that will force them to diversify with lower cost sources of electricity like solar, is if the commission does not allow them to prop up increasingly uneconomical power plants by raising our electricity rates.

There is nothing conservative about catering to monopoly utilities and the expense of ratepayers and basic free market principles. I am not alone, 74 percent of Floridians oppose these proposed electricity hikes.

Please reject the settlement and rate increases. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Vilma Spanger