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From: Office of Commissioner La Rosa
Sent: Monday, May 16, 2022 12:10 PM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: FW: Minimum Bill Adjustment

Good afternoon,

Please place the email below in CORRESPONDENCE-Consumers & Representatives in docket 20210015.

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Thank you.

From: richard goodburlet <goodburlet@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 1:02 PM
To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa <Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>
Subject: Minimum Bill Adjustment


Mike:

I am flabbergasted that a utility company in my beloved country of the United States of America, (for which I served in the capacity as an Army officer and incurred a disability), has been allowed by your commission to impose a minimum fee on my electric bill. What do I receive for this fee? I'm not getting any additional kWh or better customer service, and you and I both know this fee is not for grid maintenance. I'm sure you wouldn't be happy if each time you filled your car with fuel, you were charged a minimum fee of \$105, even though the physical limitation of your tank only allows you to put a maximum of \$50 in it.

I cannot comprehend how it is viewed as acceptable to impose a fee for which the entity whom the fee is charged to (me) gets neither a commodity nor a service for this fee. I have no problem paying a fee when in turn I am provided a service or a product. That is the way the monetary system is designed. Are we now modeling our system after the Russian way? What's next; the local grocery store charging a minimum fee of \$10 per visit to just walk through the door even if I only buy a \$1.25 candy bar?

I purchased solar as I felt it was good for the environment and even the Federal government gave me a 30% tax credit showing their support. The current president has several "green" initiatives showing support. To make matters worse, I don't even have a choice to choose an alternate power company in Florida. Duke has a monopoly on the market in St. Pete Beach, FL (which is supposed to be illegal in America). Why stop at a \$30 minimum? Just think of all the additional money you could put in the lobbyists pockets if you raised this to \$100?

Is there any way this un-American, unfair fee can be revoked? I can be contacted at 239-699-7070 any time to discuss. I really hope this can be made right and my faith in the American way restored.

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