



FLORIDA  
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COMMISSION

# **CONSUMER ACTIVITY REPORT March 2020**

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## Consumer Access to the FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

If you have questions about regulated utility services, you may:

- \* CALL the office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach at 1-800-342-3552
- \* FAX your questions to 1-800-511-0809
- \* E-MAIL the FPSC from our Web site at <http://www.floridapsc.com>,  
or direct to the following address: [contact@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us)
- \* Or WRITE to:

Florida Public Service Commission  
Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

# Consumer Activity Overview

March 2020

<b>Complaints Received &amp; Entered into CATS</b>	<b>410</b>
Electric	27
Gas	4
LifeLine	0
Relay	0
Pay Telephone	0
Water/Wastewater	11
<b>Non-certificated Company Complaints Logged</b>	<b>0</b>
Electric	0
Gas	0
Telecommunications	0
Water/Wastewater	0
<b>Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)</b>	<b>308</b>
Electric	305
Gas	3
Telecommunications	0
Water/Wastewater	0
<b>E-Transfers (E-mails sent to Utilities from the PSC Web site)</b>	<b>16</b>
Electric	16
Gas	0
Telecommunications	0
Water/Wastewater	0
<b>Cases Received / Closed Under 3 Day Rule</b>	<b>44</b>
Electric	43
Gas	1
Telecommunications	0
Water/Wastewater	0
<b>Consumer Contacts Received &amp; Entered into CATS.</b>	<b>1263</b>
<b>Total New Cases Received &amp; Entered into CATS</b>	<b>1673</b>

Cases Were Received	Complaints	Consumer Contact	Total Cases
Phone	346	1011	1357
Mail	0	8	8
Internet	64	244	308
Fax	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>1263</b>	<b>1673</b>

## Cases by Industry

**March 2020**

	Complaints Logged	Percentage of Total Complaints*	Consumer Contact Logged	Percentage of Total Consumer Contact*
Electric	27	7%	360	29%
Natural Gas	4	1%	9	1%
Telecommunications	0	0%	421	33%
Lifeline	0	0%		
Relay	0	0%		
Pay Telephone	0	0%		
Water & Wastewater	11	3%	61	5%
Non-certificated Company Cases logged**	0	0%	412	33%
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)	308	75%		
E-Transfers	16	4%		
Cases Received & Closed by 3 Day Rule	44	11%		
<b>Total</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1263</b>	<b>100%</b>

Information provided by Consumer Activity Tracking System(CATS).  
Includes contacts from phone calls, letters, faxes and the Internet.

\* Figures have been rounded.

\*\* Non-certificated relates to complaints filed against companies that appear to lack a certificate with PSC.

## Complaints Received by County

**March 2020**

<b>County</b>	<b>Cases</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Cases</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Cases</b>
N/A	45	Escambia	10	Lafayette	0
Alachua	0	Flagler	4	Lake	3
Baker	0	Franklin	0	Lee	10
Bay	11	Gadsden	1	Leon	1
Bradford	1	Gilchrist	0	Levy	0
Brevard	17	Glades	0	Liberty	0
Broward	49	Gulf	1	Madison	2
Calhoun	0	Hamilton	1	Manatee	7
Charlotte	6	Hardee	2	Marion	6
Citrus	3	Hendry	0	Martin	0
Clay	0	Hernando	0	Monroe	0
Collier	5	Highlands	8	Nassau	0
Columbia	1	Hillsborough	12	Okaloosa	2
Dade	0	Holmes	0	Okeechobee	2
DeSoto	0	Indian River	3	Orange	14
Dixie	0	Jackson	1	Osceola	2
Duval	0	Jefferson	0	Palm Beach	30

Note: The counts listed as "N/A" are the cases their county name not available e.g., complaints received by e-mail, telephone transfer-connects, non-Florida addresses, etc.

## Electric Companies

### Complaint Activity - March 2020

<b>Company Name</b>	<b>Service*</b>	<b>Billing*</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
Duke Energy	6	5	11	55
Florida Power & Light Company	3	2	5	24
Florida Public Utilities Company	1	0	1	4
Gulf Power Company	2	2	4	6
Tampa Electric Company	2	4	6	10
<b>TOTALS**</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>99</b>

\*Please see Definitions.

\*\*Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

**Natural Gas Companies**  
**Complaint Activity - March 2020**

<b>Company Name</b>	<b>Service*</b>	<b>Billing*</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
Florida City Gas	0	0	0	1
Florida Public Utilities Company	1	0	1	1
Peoples Gas System	1	1	2	6
St. Joe Natural Gas Company, Inc.	0	1	1	1
<b>TOTALS**</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>

\*Please see Definitions.

\*\*Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

## Lifeline Complaints

### Complaint Activity - March 2020

Company Name	Month	Y-T-D
CenturyLink	0	4
TOTALS**	0	4

\*\*Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.



**Relay Service Complaints**  
**Complaint Activity - March 2020**

<b>Company Name</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
TOTALS**	0	0
<p>**Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.</p>		

**Pay Telephone Complaints**  
**Complaint Activity - March 2020**

<b>Company Name</b>	<b>Service*</b>	<b>Billing*</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
TOTALS**	0	0	0	0

\*\*Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

## Water & Wastewater Companies

### Complaint Activity - March 2020

Company Name	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
Central Sumter Utility Company, LLC	0	0	0	1
Charlie Creek Utilities, LLC	1	0	1	1
CHC VII, Ltd.	0	0	0	1
Coral Cay Water & Sewer Company	0	0	0	1
HC Waterworks, Inc.	0	0	1	1
Joyland Water System	0	1	1	1
K W Resort Utilities Corp.	0	0	0	1
Lake Talquin Water Company, Inc.	0	0	1	1
LP Waterworks, Inc.	1	0	2	4
Marion Utilities, Inc.	0	0	0	1
Ni Florida, LLC	0	0	0	1
Park Water Company	0	0	0	1
Peoples Water Service Company of Florida, Inc.	0	0	0	1
Royal Utility Company	0	1	1	1
Southlake Utilities, Inc.	0	0	0	2
Sunrise Water, LLC	1	0	1	1
The Woods Utility Company	0	0	0	1
Utilities, Inc. of Florida	1	2	3	10
<b>TOTALS**</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>31</b>

\*\*Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

## DEFINITIONS

### **Billing:**

A complaint concerning the amount a customer has been billed or any rule or tariff having to do specifically with the billing of the customer's account.

### **Case:**

A contact that is logged into the PSC's CATS database. A case may be logged in as a complaint or as Consumer Contact.

### **Complaint:**

A form of case that involves a substantial unresolved objection regarding a regulated utility, as it relates to charges, facility operations, or the quality of the services rendered, the disposal of which requires an investigation and/or analysis by PSC staff.

### **Complaint Activity:**

The total number of complaints logged with regulated utilities or resolved within a given period of time.

### **Complaints Logged:**

The number of complaints received from customers filed with the utilities.

### **Complaints Resolved:**

The number of complaints handled by the PSC staff, which determines whether a utility is in apparent violation or apparent nonviolation of PSC rules, company tariffs, or policies.

### **Consumer Activity Tracking System (CATS):**

A database system that tracks complaints and Consumer Contact filed with the Florida Public Service Commission.

### **Contact:**

A communication with the Commission either in writing (letter, fax, or e-mail), in person, or by telephone relating to a complaint or Consumer Contact that is handled by consumer complaint staff. A contact may be logged into CATS as a new case or it may not be logged as a new case because it is a follow-up to an existing case, is a misdialed call or the caller hangs up during the call.

### **Consumer Contact:**

A form of case that involves providing facts, reference material or other data but does not involve a substantial unresolved objection by a consumer regarding a regulated utility.

### **Service:**

A complaint having to do with the delivery of the service provided by the utility, exclusive of billing concerns.

### **Telephone Transfer Connect (Warm Transfer):**

A call to the PSC can be directly transferred to the utility in question, if the consumer has not yet expressed his concerns to that utility.