

Antonia Hover

From: Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2025 9:40 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket No. 20250011
Attachments: Reject FPL's Unprecedented \$10 Billion Rate Hike – Protect Florida Families; Reject FPL's Unprecedented \$10 Billion Rate Hike – Protect Florida Families; Revoke FPL's charter

Please place the attached in Docket No. 20250011.

Thank you!

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From: ccbestard@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Carolina Bestard
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Sent: Sunday, May 18, 2025 12:31 PM
To: Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith
Subject: Reject FPL's Unprecedented \$10 Billion Rate Hike – Protect Florida Families

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Dear Florida Public Service Commission Gabriella Smith,

I am writing to strongly urge you to reject Florida Power and Light's (FPL) proposed \$10 billion rate hike—the largest in U.S. history. Approving this increase would be a devastating blow to Florida families, many of whom are already struggling with rising living costs. This past year, this Commission has already failed residents by allowing TECO's rate hikes, and we cannot afford another reckless decision that prioritizes corporate profits over public well-being.

Electricity is not a luxury—it is a life-saving necessity in Florida. With extreme heat, hurricanes, and severe weather events, access to affordable power is essential for survival. A rate increase of this magnitude would force seniors, low-income families, and working-class residents to choose between paying their electric bills and affording food, rent, or medical care. No one should have to make such impossible choices just to keep the lights on.

Beyond the financial hardship, this increase also carries serious environmental consequences. Instead of investing in clean, affordable renewable energy, FPL continues to expand its reliance on fossil fuels, worsening extreme weather patterns and increasing pollution. These impacts disproportionately harm low-income communities and communities of color, who already experience higher energy burdens and environmental health risks. If FPL truly needed more funding, it should focus on sustainable energy solutions, not passing costs onto struggling residents.

The Florida Public Service Commission has a responsibility to serve the public, not corporate monopolies. FPL is a monopoly, meaning Floridians have no choice but to pay whatever rates are approved. If this rate hike is allowed, it will set a dangerous precedent, opening the door for further unchecked increases that will push even more families into a financial crisis.

I urge you to reject this historic \$10 billion rate hike and stand with the people of Florida. The residents of this state deserve fair and affordable electricity—not price gouging from utility giants.

Sincerely,

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From: jessicalombeyda@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jessica Lombeyda
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Sincerely,
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From: Valerie Narr <valnarr@icloud.com>
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To: Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith
Subject: Revoke FPL's charter

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Dear Commissioner Passidomo,

I'm writing to urge you to begin an immediate investigation into Florida Power and Light in order to determine whether its charter to operate in the state of Florida should be revoked. As you are surely aware, FPL CEO Eric Silagy stepped down suddenly after highly credible allegations of campaign finance violations, media manipulation, and the surveillance of critical journalists:

<https://www.npr.org/2023/01/25/1151453870/fpl-florida-power-ceo-eric-silagy>

To call this behavior un-democratic would be a massive understatement. FPL, it seems clear, is more than willing to violate the public trust, game the political system, and do anything and everything to increase its profits - all on the dime of ratepayers who have no choice but to pay them for their power.

A company so blatantly working against the public interest can no longer be allowed to do business in Florida. Please take swift and sweeping action to investigate FPL and determine whether it is necessary to revoke their charter, as clearly seems to be the case.

Sincerely,

Valerie Narr

Oldsmar, Florida