

Antonia Hover

From: Cristina Slaton
Sent: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 3:28 PM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket Correspondence - 20250011
Attachments: Reject FPL's Rate Hike – Hold In-District Hearings for Public Input; Reject FPL's Unprecedented \$10 Billion Rate Hike – Protect Florida Families; Reject the FPL rate hike!; Diversify power utilities PSC Docket 20250011

Good afternoon,

Please place the attached emails in CORRESPONDENCE – Consumers & Representatives in docket 20250011.

Thank you.

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From: bbessingpas@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Baylee Bessingpas
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Sent: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 3:04 PM
To: Office of Chairman La Rosa
Subject: Reject FPL's Rate Hike – Hold In-District Hearings for Public Input

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Dear Commissioner Mike La Rosa,

Adam Teitzman, Commission Clerk
Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No.20250011 -EI

Petition by Florida Power & Light Company for Base Rate Increase

I am writing to formally request that The Commission hold in-district hearings regarding Docket No. 20250011 (Petition for Rate Increase by Florida Power & Light Company) to ensure that the public has a fair opportunity to weigh in on this critical decision.

Some FPL customers have already seen their bills increase by 60% in the last five years, and now the company is asking to increase rates by almost \$9 billion over the next five years, all while Floridians struggle to afford basic necessities. FPL is ranked 52 out of 53 by the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy of utilities nationwide in terms of helping customers reduce power bills with efficiency and conservation programs. Approving this rate hike would only reward corporate greed at the expense of millions of hard-working Floridians.

I urge you to reject this request to ensure that consumers, not corporate profits, remain your priority. Holding in-district hearings will allow impacted residents to voice their concerns and hold FPL accountable. I appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,
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From: Pasteherenow@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Elna Dancy
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Sent: Monday, August 4, 2025 6:45 PM
To: Office of Chairman La Rosa
Subject: Reject FPL's Unprecedented \$10 Billion Rate Hike – Protect Florida Families

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Dear Florida Public Service Chair Mike La Rosa,

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: Jyoti Parmar (commissioner.larosa@psc.state.fl.us) Sent You a Personal Message <kwautomail@advocacymessages.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2025 1:05 PM
To: Office of Chairman La Rosa
Subject: Reject the FPL rate hike!

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Dear PSC Commissioners:

I urge you to reject what would be the largest utility rate increase in U.S. history.

Over the past five years, FPL customers have seen their annual bills increase by more than \$400. These ongoing rate hikes hit hardest for low-income families and seniors living on fixed incomes—Floridians who are already struggling to keep up with the rising cost of essentials like gas, housing, and healthcare. Adding another unaffordable rate hike on top of these burdens is unacceptable.

It is especially egregious to ask customers to pay more when FPL has reported more than \$10 billion in profits over the last five years. This proposal does not reflect the needs of everyday Floridians—it reflects the priorities of corporate shareholders and executives looking to maximize returns at the expense of the public.

The Public Service Commission has a duty to ensure that utility rates are just, reasonable, and in the public interest. I respectfully urge you to reject FPL's request to increase the monthly base rate and raise its return on equity. Floridians deserve fair and affordable energy—not price hikes that fuel corporate profits.

Please stand up for Florida's working families, retirees, and vulnerable communities, and say NO to this rate hike.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

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From: Ben Nottingham <wewe777bn@gmail.com>
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To: Office of Chairman La Rosa
Subject: Diversify power utilities PSC Docket 20250011

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Dear Commissioner Mike LaRosa:

Thank you for your service.

I am a FL. homeowner (25 yrs) who strongly favors reliable 24/7, low cost, and low footprint electricity. I **strongly urge you to REJECT the PSC Docket 20250011 by FP&L, Duke Energy, and TECO who have proposed a \$9 billion rate hike for solar energy development.** FP&L, TECO, and Duke Energy believe it's best to support the FL Renewable Energy (ie., solar) mandate from 2004. A lot has happened since then, and continues each day, where refinements in other energy sectors such as nuclear power and biofuel power, now support prudent changes to a highly diverse energy array.

This proposal is not acceptable because of FP&L's overextension in solar power; and FPL isn't increasing low-cost energy alternatives (natural gas), nor are they supporting FL's long-term economies and wise land use; and they are **not promoting a diversity of energy types.** The large space needed for this Docket proposal (192,000 acres) is beginning to infringe on Florida's longstanding cattle production, citrus farming, wildlife habitat, & crop production in the So. FL landscape. Solar farms will simply take up too much land space in the place of what appears as open landscape (ie., ag lands & wildlife habitat). Solar power generation in FL. is maximally efficient for **only 5.1 hrs** of the day (DOE Berkeley Natl Lab). And to the detriment of our State & National economy, solar power components are largely made in China & invariably this drives up my overall electric bill. In the last 5 yrs., Europe & Australia have faced rolling "blackouts" due to an overreliance on solar power. Florida has excellent potential for expanding Artificial Intelligence (AI) development with its current land area and a low business tax framework. However, AI absolutely requires a highly dependable, 24-hr power grid which can only be met with **a rich and stable power diversity.** Hence, Florida's public power providers **should be working to diversify its array of power generation.** Thankfully, Pres. Trump has now ordered a **reform of nuclear power permitting** that should be operational in the very near future. This reform and the refinement of small module (nuclear) reactors have unleashed high hopes for future nuclear power development.

Duke Energy, TECO, and FPL must be given a clear signal to redevelop a proposal that promotes nuclear and low-carbon emission, fuel sources for power development. This action would fulfill the PSC's own recommendations identified in the April 2025 Feasibility Report to advance Nuclear Power in FL. The 2024 Workshop on Nuclear Feasibility engaged numerous state and federal officials including those with technical expertise in nuclear power and it aligns well with Florida's energy policy (F.S. 377.602). Your leadership in the PSC necessitates that public utilities and all FL utilities should also be developing more diverse power sources with more natural gas plants built with US components and sources...all of which are cost efficient and American made.

Thus, I **strongly urge you to REJECT this Docket proposal (20250011) outright with no compromise and these public utilities should redesign their proposal** to develop more reliable and abundant, low-cost power diversity alternatives which will benefit FL businesses, our environment, and current and future ratepayers.

Sincerely,

Ben Nottingham

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