

Dear FPSC Clerk Adam Teitzman:

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

**This proposal is not acceptable because of FP&L's overextension in solar power,** not increasing low-cost energy alternatives (natural gas), not supporting FL's existing long-term economies & wise land use, and **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 despite solar radiation being no cost. In the last 5 yrs., Europe & Australia have faced rolling "blackouts" due to an overreliance on solar power. Florida has very good potential for hosting Artificial Intelligence (AI) development with its current land area & a low business tax framework to attract this growing AI expansion. However, AI absolutely requires a highly dependable, 24-hr power grid which can only be met with **a rich & stable power diversity.** Hence, Florida's public power providers **should be working to diversify its array of power generation.** Thankfully, Pres. Trump has 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 fueled high hopes for expanded nuclear power development.

Duke Energy, TECO, & FP&L must be given a clear signal to redevelop a proposal that promotes nuclear & 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 & federal officials including those with technical expertise in nuclear power & it aligns well with Florida's energy policy (F.S. 377.602). **Your leadership** necessitates that public utilities & all FL utilities should be developing a more diverse power character with more natural gas plants built with US components and sources...all of which are cost efficient & American made.

I urge the PSC to **REJECT this Docket proposal (20250011) outright with no compromise** and to urge these public utilities of the need to **redesign their proposal** to develop more reliable and efficient, low-cost power diversity alternatives (ie., nuclear, natural gas) which will benefit FL businesses and current & future ratepayers.

Sincerely,

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