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From: Ellen Plendl
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2009 2:46 PM
To: Katie Ely
Cc: Dorothy Menasco; Ann Cole
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Attachments: FW: FPL Base Rate Increase; RE: FPL Base Rate Increase

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From: Bill McCarthy [mailto:billm@coastalhealth.org]
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2009 12:49 PM
To: Consumer Contact
Subject: FPL Base Rate Increase

Dear Chairman Carter and all PSC Commissioners,

Please accept the following comments regarding the requested FPL Base Rate increase.

I attended the PSC hearing in Viera, Florida, on the morning of June 24th and had desired to provide comment but did not for two reasons. First, I was listed to comment relatively late in the hearing due to the large number of people desiring to comment and unfortunately I needed to return to my office before I would have been able to speak...

But let me be clear, there are very few of us - myself and perhaps many FPL employees included - that want to pay higher prices for anything, let alone an invisible commodity like "power," however, the desire to get something on the cheap is a lovely, but unrealistic expectation.

At the hearing, presentations for and against the rate adjustment were made by FPL and various agencies. FPL presented a chart showing them as the lowest cost provider vis-a-vis the other 53 providers in the state. I did not hear any of the agencies objecting to the rate increase challenge this data, so I will assume it is at least reasonably accurate.

Both sides view the world through a different prism. FPL is a company that addresses the needs of stockholders, customers, employees, pension funds and consumers to name a few. The agencies challenging FPL seem to be focused exclusively on what they feel is an appropriate rate of return and/or special interest groups opposed to paying more for a service.

My opinion is based on my belief that an organization must invest in the future and I strongly believe that FPL is doing so, that an organization of this size must be a good citizen to the communities they serve, and I know this to be true with FPL, and finally I believe that the cost for services like electricity should be more consistent between providers.

Bottom line: I support the PSC making unemotional rate decisions based on fairness between providers, each providers commitment to quality, cost-management and investment for the future. I am very satisfied with FPL in every area.

William McCarthy
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Mims, FL 32754

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To: 'billm@coastalhealth.org'
Subject: RE: FPL Base Rate Increase

Mr. William McCarthy
billm@coastalhealth.org

Dear Mr. McCarthy:

This is in response to your E-mail to Chairman Matthew M. Carter II, Florida Public Service Commission, regarding Florida Power & Light Company (FPL).

We appreciate your comments about FPL's petition for an increase in base rates. We will add your correspondence to Docket No. 080677-EI.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at 1-800-342-3552 or by fax at 1-800-511-0809.

Sincerely,

Ellen Plendl
Regulatory Specialist
Florida Public Service Commission
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From: Ruth McHargue
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From: Watkins, Bob [mailto:Bob.Watkins@Airliquide.com]
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Attention: Florida Public Service Commission

Comments for Petition for Increase in rates by Florida Power & Light
Docket No. 080677-EI
 Service Hearing – June 24, 2009

I would like to thank the Commission for this opportunity to express our concerns regarding the proposed rate increases in the FP&L area. My name is Bob Watkins and I am with Air Liquide. I attended the meeting in Melbourne on June 24th and heard many people speak about FP&L and what a great company they are. Unfortunately, I think this missed the mark as the company's performance and service levels are not in question. What is in question and should be seriously considered by the Commission is the potential economic kick back that will occur should the proposed rate increase go through.

Air Liquide is an air separation company which produces industrial gases. In the FP&L area we produce medical grade oxygen and nitrogen for use in food, aerospace, healthcare and other industries. Electricity represents more than 65% of the operating cost for our air separation facility at Merritt Island. As you can imagine, given that air separation is at the core of our business, any increase in power will have a significant effect on our business operations. If the price of industrial gases is not competitive it will not only threaten our business, but it can potentially also threaten the industries in

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Florida which rely on us for our products. Our industry is highly capital intensive and employs over 100 individuals in the state of Florida. We must all work to ensure that cost of electricity is competitive so industrials, like Air Liquide, can continue to operate and benefit the state.

Air Liquide supports the addition of necessary generation capacity. As an industrial which utilizes power around the clock, we feel that customer classes which are creating the additional demand should support these additional generation investment costs.

In addition, we feel that it is necessary for FP&L to maintain reserve margins at the lowest possible cost. Interruptible service is one mechanism which allows for reserve capacity without investment in generation. We feel that interruptible service, using a cost based rate structure, should continue. Customer interruptibility allows FP&L to only invest in truly necessary generation capacity while avoiding additional green house gas emissions and the utilization of already scarce resources. We support its inclusion in the rates proposed by FP&L.

We also ask the Commission to continue to scrutinize all requests for new generation and higher return on equity levels -- especially in this very challenging economic time where electricity demand has significantly declined and when rate increases will be difficult for all end users.

Thank you.

Bob Watkins
Air Liquide Industrial US LP
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CONSUMER COMMENTS

I strongly oppose any rate increases by FPL at this time. The general population is reeling from job losses, cut backs and stock market decline. To ignore the current economic climate just to provide increased profitability for the corporation is abhorrant.

Corporate America, including FPL, needs to understand that these maneuvers are the cause of the economic predicament we are experiencing. The timing for a rate increase is not now.

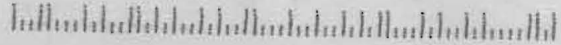
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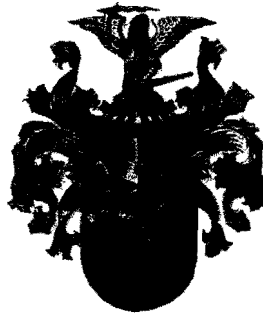
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Dear Commission Members:

To my regret, I was unable to attend the hearing for Florida Power & Light Company held on June 24, 2009, in Melbourne, Florida.

I, herewith, present my vote for the increase and the reason for my vote in the affirmative.

I'm a conservative businessman and a person who tries to avoid spending when it is not relevant to an investment for future return. I strongly believe that an increase in rates is needed to give FPL the tools to return to the leadership it has shown in it's field.

I travel extensively throughout North America and the Globe and witness the negative effect on it's people, when government and utility companies lack the foresight to invest, update and prepare for emergencies the availability of good quality, uninterrupted service.

FPL has been, and is, a leading utility company admired and copied by it's peers, with solar and wind-power farms, nuclear power and their upgrades in facilities. We visited some of their wind-power farms in the Northwest and were proud to be one of their customers.

We appreciate their leadership in the commitment to reduce carbon dioxide, which provides for a better quality of living for its clients and others.

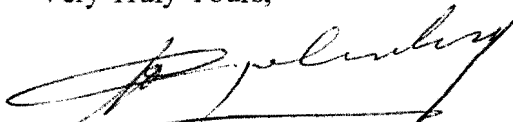
FPL has a strong performance, compared to it's peers over the past six years, in comparison to return to shareholders and growth in market capitalization. In 2008, Nextera Energy Resources, an FPL subsidiary, led the US in total Wind Megawatts.

Without the increase, the lack of available revenue will delay plans to invest in facilities, update new technology, new facilities, etc. Also factor in the present economy and that the costs of steel, concrete and labor are attractive at the present time. To obtain capital at a reasonable rate, for this investment, it needs a healthy balance sheet

We should, as patrons, be willing to support the future with the investment in clean air technology, in an effort to provide a better quality of life, especially now that it's finest services are available to us.

Let's give FPL the raise in rates in order to invest in the necessary tools needed to provide us with the options stated above.

Very Truly Yours,



William C. Van Engelenburg, PHD

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CC Bart Gaetjens, Account Manager – FPL

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1) Cost to the homeowner would go up ~~to~~ 40% for the 1st 1000 KWH

2) Cost to the homeowner would go up 55% for over 1000 KWH

3) 12.5% to the stock owners is exorbitant in the present day market.

4) With the present unemployment rate, the shuttle program winding down, the local housing situation, a raise in the FPL rates could be the straw that breaks the camels back for many people in Brevard county

5) I believe that this request by FPL for an atrocious raise is a ploy by the FPL management to pre-empt a public request to lower their rates during this recession



Mr. Victor Johnson
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Address 350 Grant Avenue

Satellite Beach, FL 32937

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CONSUMER COMMENTS

On June 24, I appeared before the Public Service Commission, having gone to their advertized hearing to speak about the quality service provided by FPL. My military family has lived in three countries and five different states, and I personally have never found electric service anywhere that can compare to what I enjoy (and have enjoyed for the past thirty-plus years here in Florida.) I was prepared to announce that I was not addressing the rate issue, since I do not consider myself knowledgeable in those areas better left to financial experts and consumer advocates. By the time I got to speak, I felt intimidated not only by people in the audience clapping or shouting out when they agreed/disagreed with speakers, but also by a statement made by one of the PSC members who was there via telephone, stating that she did not want to hear anything about FPL's provision of service, just the matter of the rates. When my name was called, I did speak from my heart, but cut it short, because of the atmosphere in the auditorium. I still wish to let you know how I truly feel about FPL and the service they provide not only to the general public, but also to municipalities. I am a consumer, a public servant, mother of four-including a Navy Captain, and a 68-year old grandmother of five. I have sat in our County Emergency Operations Center with FPL reps over the years; I have weathered hurricanes too numerous to count; watched as power has been miraculously restored after severe storms by both FPL and crews from surrounding states; attended briefings where FPL reps have sought input from municipalities as to priorities for restoration, with public safety, health and welfare of our citizens foremost in all of our minds. I have made calls to FPL for citizens with special needs, and witnessed their grateful comments that their concerns were immediately addressed. I truly believe in rainy day funds - having witnessed our own City's situation in 2004 when three hurricanes devastated our area. We were able to immediately use our emergency reserves to hire contractors to repair roofs and damaged facilities, retrofit drainage lines, shore up our dunes, etc., while other cities without such funds waited months - and some, even years - to effect repairs. Just as all of the municipalities in Brevard County were the first in Florida to join forces for Local Mitigation Strategy efforts, FPL has been going about their business doing the same - replacing/retrofitting some 500 poles per week, and aggressively trimming trees near transmission lines, etc. I personally have had to call FPL when a bird caused a power outage, and for a neighbor when lightning hit near her home. The response was quick, workmen were courteous, answers were given, and power restored within the time promised. Their representatives offer assistance with power questions, cutting bills, green considerations, and a myriad of issues. They provide outstanding service to our 8,700 residents, and I just wanted to share my observations with you, from both personal and professional observations. Thank you, sincerely, for your kind consideration.

J. R. Burns

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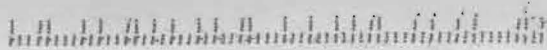
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July 2, 2009

Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk
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Re: Florida Power & Light Quality of Service and Rate Petition

Dear Ms. Cole:

Since I could not attend the hearing in Brevard County on June 24, 2009, I am sending this letter to document my personal and professional experience with Florida Power & Light.

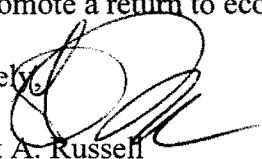
Personally, I have had excellent quality of service from Florida Power & Light for over 23 years as a resident of Brevard County. Their performance during the storm season of 2004 is nothing short of miraculous. Outside of hurricane season we rarely are without power and when there is a power outage the automated system is fairly accurate about the time it will take to restore power.

Professionally, my experience with Florida Power & Light in the business community has also been positive. The company & staff support all types of economic and charitable organizations- Chambers of Commerce (all four Chambers), the Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast, the arts (Brevard Cultural Alliance, Brevard Symphony), United Way of Brevard County, the Civilian-Military (Civ-Mil) Council, Brevard Community College Foundation and many other worthwhile organizations.

My understanding is Florida Power & Light is embarking on some major capital investments in Florida in the next 4 years including demolishing and rebuilding the Port St. John power plant (Cape Canaveral) at a cost of over \$1 Billion. The new plant will be more efficient and environmentally sensitive and will generate more power with less of a profile on the Indian River.

I am in full support of Florida Power & Light as they progress through the quality service and rate increase process. It is imperative that Florida Power & Light continues to grow and improve their facilities in support of Florida's expected growth. These major capital investments come at a time when Florida is facing a weak economic environment and this will promote a return to economic vitality.

Sincerely,


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