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From: Betty Leland
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2018 1:08 PM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: FW: Assisting with Duke Energy Petition Review

Good Afternoon:

Please place the attached e-mail in docket correspondence consumers and their representatives in Docket No. 20170272.

Thanks.

From: SCG [<mailto:scgnow@aol.com>]
Sent: Thursday, January 04, 2018 4:49 PM
To: Braulio Baez
Cc: Dale Mailhot; Art Graham; Gary Clark; Julie I. Brown; Donald Polmann
Subject: Assisting with Duke Energy Petition Review



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Mr. Braulio L. Baez
Executive Director
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Boulevard
Gerald Gunter Building
Tallahassee, FL 32339

Dear Mr. Baez,

We have recently read that Duke Energy Florida filed a petition last week with the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) to recover from customers an estimated \$381 million for costs associated with the company's response to Hurricane Irma. The company is also seeking to recover \$132 million to replenish its storm reserve fund. The company used \$62 million in this reserve fund as part of its Hurricane Irma response. [\[1\]](#)

From our own proprietary industry network, as well as public voices both online and offline, this has many Florida residents and businesses concerned.

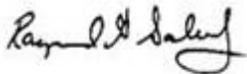
Given the FPSC 60-day period to review the proposed recovery and replenishment costs, a prudent commission would clearly assess the efficiency and effectiveness of Duke's efforts along with these costs before burdening rate paying stakeholders with a rather significant three-year charge.

Raymond G Saleeby LLC (dba SCG) would like to offer our storm recovery audit services to assist you in this effort. We are a full service Utility management consulting firm with a team consisting of high-level consultants with decades of hands on utility and utility audit experience. Our storm recovery expertise is unparalleled.

Our review will be comprehensive and constructive; addressing at a minimum the speed, efficiency and safety of restoration efforts, the effectiveness and timeliness of external communications, Duke's preparedness for this type of event, and the prudence and appropriateness of their financial asset management. Our team stands ready to support the Commission and its staff to prepare interrogatories, evaluate company responses, and advise the Commission on appropriateness and reasonableness of the company's actions, planning, and responses.

I will give you a call early next week, but feel free to call prior to that at any time if you wish to discuss this matter or receive a proposal letter covering our work.

Yours truly,



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cc: Dale Mailhot, Director Audit & Performance Analysis
Art Graham, Commissioner
Gary F Clark, Commissioner
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[1] <https://dailyenergyinsider.com/news/9845-duke-energy-florida-seeks-response-cost-recovery-hurricane-irma/>