

**Brian Schultz**

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**From:** Brian Schultz on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, June 21, 2021 3:13 PM  
**To:** 'Joseph Paradise'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Stop Rubber Stamping FPL Requests!

Good Afternoon,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20210015-EI and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

*Brian Schultz*

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**From:** paradisj=dialup4less.com@mg.gospringboard.io <paradisj=dialup4less.com@mg.gospringboard.io> **On Behalf Of** Joseph Paradise  
**Sent:** Monday, June 21, 2021 2:33 PM  
**To:** Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
**Subject:** Stop Rubber Stamping FPL Requests!

Dear Commissioner

Florida Power & Light is asking for the largest single rate hike in Florida history at a time when consumers are facing an increased cost of goods and services as we recover from the economic downturn caused by COVID-19. Increasing the cost of electricity is something you, the Public Service Commission, can control.

It is unconscionable to think that we should have to pay more for our electric service at a time like this. Rubber stamping an all-time high return on equity of 11.5 percent goes against helping struggling Floridians. Putting people over profits should come first.

As seniors on a very fixed income, utility bills take a significant portion of our income each month. We have no control over what comes in, yet public utilities are free to increase their rates with little control over the process that is meant to protect the state's citizen residents. With other services such as phone, internet, cable tv, etc., we have choices available, our FPL

electric utility monopoly is the only option.

Please consider how this rate increase will affect both individual resident customers as well as the businesses that rely on their customers to bring the FL economy back to a more normal level. This rate increase will definitely have a negative impact at all levels and should NOT BE APPROVED!

Now is not the time to give FPL what it wants; let's keep the public in Public Service Commission!

Thank you,

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