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## **Public Service Commission**

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DATE:

07/07/2021

TO:

Office of Commission Clerk

FROM:

Bureau of Consumer Assistance, Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach

RE:

Customer Correspondence

Please add the attached customer correspondence to Docket Correspondence-Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket 20210000.

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## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

June 30, 2021

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Fl 32399-0850

## Dear Commissioners,

Florida is at risk of having one of our very important companies being taken over by a Wall Street hedge fund. According to reports, Elliott Management has invested in Duke Energy. It has a plan to take control of the company and break it into parts. I am deeply concerned about what would happen to Duke Energy Florida and what that plan would mean to Floridians.

After suffering through the COVID-19 pandemic, Florida is finally starting down the path of economic what would happen if Eliott Management takes control of Duke Energy Florida.

At our college, I have the pleasure of working with Duke Energy Florida and its leadership. They are an integral part of our community. They are significant financial, equipment, and employment supporters of the college's substation relay technician and lineworker programs. Because of its size, Duke Energy has leveraged its corporate resources to provide equipment and student scholarship funds to support the program.

Graduates of the substation relay technician and lineworker programs are hired by Duke Florida and earn more than \$50,000 annually at entry. They frequently make six-figure salaries while building and repairing the electrical grid to assure Floridians reliable and virtually uninterrupted electricity.

I urge the Florida Public Service Commission to do what it can to prevent this takeover, save jobs in Florida, and protect customers in Florida.

Sincerely

Dr. Stanley Sidor

President, Lake-Sumter State College

Cc: Dr. Laura Byrd



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