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From: Ellen Plendl
Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2021 8:07 AM
To: Consumer Correspondence
Subject: Docket No. 20210015
Attachments: extremely disappointed; Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

See attached customer correspondence and FPSC reply for Docket No. 20210015.

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From: Beatrice Balboa <beatricebalboa@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2021 8:03 AM
To: Ellen Plendl
Subject: extremely disappointed
Attachments: FPL reaches comprehensive four-year rate settlement agreement _ The Capitolist.pdf

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my deepest disappointment that FPL and the FPL Corporation have "developed jointly with Florida's Office of Public Counsel, the Florida Retail Federation, the Florida Industrial Power Users Group (FIPUG), and the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy." plan with proposed \$1.48 billion rate hike in next 4 years.

<http://www.floridapsc.com/library/filings/2021/09057-2021/09057-2021.pdf>

FPL has a woeful and disastrous state of solar energy infrastructure and the electrical grid throughout the State of Florida, leading to death and destruction, despite strong documentation indicating such problems exist. Ongoing news media article(s) has always underscored this deep contempt and disrespect of the hardworking taxpayers residents of the State of Florida. Statements of outrageous claims such as:

"If it gets the green light there, FPL said in a news release that the agreement will boost long-term investments in infrastructure, clean energy and innovative technology."

"This agreement is a big win for all 5.6 million FPL customers and our state, and it demonstrates what can be achieved through a collaborative process," said FPL President and CEO Eric Silagy. "In a rapidly growing state on the front lines of climate change, our customers deserve bold and decisive, long-term actions as we build a more resilient and sustainable energy future all of us can depend on, including future generations. This agreement paves the way for FPL to continue delivering America's best energy value – electricity that's not just clean and reliable, but also affordable."

"In addition to solar energy and storm hardening initiatives, FPL says the settlement agreement will support FPL's green hydrogen pilot project in Okeechobee County, described as "an innovative technology that could one day unlock 100% carbon-free electricity that's available 24 hours a day."

The above statements have been bandied about in all media sources for decades in the State of Florida with little to nothing substantive as proof for all these hyperbolic claims. The attached documentation clearly indicates the clear lack of progress across all these areas of "improvement and innovation".

Thank you for your time in these matters and hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,
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FPL reaches comprehensive four-year rate settlement agreement

by Brian Burgess | Aug 10, 2021



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Late Tuesday afternoon, Florida Power and Light (FPL) announced a comprehensive, four-year rate settlement agreement that the company says will keep rates low for consumers and accelerate the

nation's largest solar buildout, which will include 16 million solar panels across more than 50 new sites across the state.

The deal was developed jointly with Florida's Office of Public Counsel, the Florida Retail Federation, the Florida Industrial Power Users Group (FIPUG), and the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy. It now requires approval from the Florida Public Service Commission. If it gets the green light there, FPL said in a news release that the agreement will boost long-term investments in infrastructure, clean energy and innovative technology.

"This agreement is a big win for all 5.6 million FPL customers and our state, and it demonstrates what can be achieved through a collaborative process," said FPL President and CEO **Eric Silagy**. "In a rapidly growing state on the front lines of climate change, our customers deserve bold and decisive, long-term actions as we build a more resilient and sustainable energy future all of us can depend on, including future generations. This agreement paves the way for FPL to continue delivering America's best energy value – electricity that's not just clean and reliable, but also affordable."

A message seeking comment from **Richard Gentry**, who represents Florida's consumers at the Office of Public Counsel in the negotiations, was not immediately returned.

According to the release, the typical FPL residential customer bills are expected to remain well below the national average through 2025, and the detail would also unify the rates and tariffs of FPL and the Florida panhandle-based Gulf Power Company, which merged with FPL at the beginning of the year. FPL says the typical 1,000-kWh residential customer bill in Northwest Florida will actually decrease by the end of 2025.

The proposed agreement reflects a nearly 40% reduction in FPL's proposed January 2022 base rate revenue increase, from \$1.1 billion to \$692 million, driven partly by a reduction in the company's originally proposed return on equity midpoint from 11.5% to 10.6%, according to FPL's release. FPL's 2023 requested revenue increase would also be reduced by nearly 10%, from \$605 million to \$560 million.

FPL is also building the world's largest integrated solar-powered battery system, the FPL Manatee Energy Storage Center, that's projected to begin serving customers later this year. The agreement would also enable the company to continue ongoing storm hardening plans of the FPL energy grid in the face of Florida's frequently severe weather.

In addition to solar energy and storm hardening initiatives, FPL says the settlement agreement will support FPL's green hydrogen pilot project in Okeechobee County, described as "an innovative technology that could one day unlock 100% carbon-free electricity that's available 24 hours a day."

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From: Ellen Plendl
Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2021 8:06 AM
To: 'Beatrice Balboa'
Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Ms. Beatrice Balboa
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Dear Ms. Balboa:

This is in response to your August 11 email to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regarding Florida Power & Light Company (FPL).

We will add your feedback and the article you shared to Docket No. 20210015.

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

Sincerely,

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