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**From:** Office of Commissioner Fay  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 5:38 PM  
**To:** Commissioner Correspondence  
**Subject:** FW: Reject FPL's harmful and shortsighted rate hikes

Please place the email below in Docket No. 20210015

Thanks

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From: bekyh@everyactioncustom.com [mailto:beckyh@everyactioncustom.com]  
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 3:25 PM  
To: Office of Commissioner Fay  
Subject: Reject FPL's harmful and shortsighted rate hikes

Dear Commissioner Andrew Giles Fay,

As an FPL customer, I urge you to reject the company's proposed rate increases.

Florida families are still recovering from the economic hardship caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Meanwhile, FPL disconnected more than 550,000 homes from power due to late payment since the fall, even as it increased its own profits by 10% last year.

It is not in my best interest to be paying for fossil fuel plants that FPL wants to run for the next fifty years - when FPL should be committing to a rapid transition to a 100% clean energy system.

It will not serve the public to charge us over \$10 billion for purported grid "investments" (over \$900 per customer!) that will only deliver a couple of minutes of improved reliability every year.

FPL's plan ignores the most cost effective resource - energy efficiency - at every step of its plan, instead choosing to expose us to even more risks due to rising energy costs.

FPL doesn't propose a single new program or protection for its most vulnerable customers, in contrast to other utilities that are implementing new disconnection safeguards, efficiency offerings and programs to help customers access clean energy to lower bills and become more energy resilient.

Please reject FPL's new proposed gas plants, require the Company to give real consideration to energy efficiency programs in all of its planning decisions, and move Florida toward a more equitable and resilient energy grid.

When considering FLP's proposal, I urge you to prioritize the needs of Floridians — particularly our most vulnerable communities — and reject these needless rate increases.

Sincerely,

Becky Hughes

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