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From: Veronica Washington

Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 11:22 AM **To:** Commissioner Correspondence

Subject: Docket No. 20210015

Attachments: We Can't Afford Higher Rates; Why do y'all hate Floridians; Exorbitant rates NWFL; FPL

Fraud

Please place the attached emails in Docket No. 20210015

Thanks

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From: ashirk5902@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alexis Bahnmaier <ashirk5902

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Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 12:44 AM

To: Office of Chairman Fay

Subject: We Can't Afford Higher Rates

Dear Andrew Fay,

I am writing as a concerned Florida resident and customer of Florida Power & Light (FPL). I received notification that FPL intends to increase rates for their customers across the state, hurting the most vulnerable in our communities the most. We urge you to rethink this decision and not increase our bills.

This past year has been challenging and unrelenting, and folks have spent it worrying; worrying about the health and safety of their families and friends; worrying about finding work or being safe at work; worrying about the future of the business they built from the ground up; and worrying about making sure that they could keep the lights and heat on at home. For many of us, the pandemic has changed all of our lives in ways we'll still likely be grappling with long after the pandemic comes to an end.

Nevertheless, for some reason, corporate greed seems to be more important than the sustainability of our communities and our livelihood. This was evident when FPL, among several other power companies resumed closing customer accounts due to non-payment during the second wave of the pandemic. Now, they want to increase rates for their most vulnerable customers. We can't allow companies to continue taking advantage of working-class families, and luckily, you have the power NOW to stop this.

Our families need relief, real solutions to the climate crisis and fair and affordable utility rates. By raising prices, FPL is treating energy as a commodity when it's a necessity. We are demanding that Florida Power & Light halt this unfair plan and that Florida's Public Service Commission require FPL to maintain fair rates for their consumers, and prioritize the communities they serve.

Sincerely, Mrs. Alexis Bahnmaier 5817 Fairlands Rd Milton, FL 32583-1811 ashirk5902@gmail.com

From: Ashley Faulkner <ashleyrose.faulkner@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 3:56 PM

To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Chairman

Fay; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo

Subject: Why do y'all hate Floridians?

So y'all pulled a fast one and allowed the energy companies to RAISE prices during a PANDEMIC.

I hope you are all proud of yourselves. There are people really hurting in our state due to poor leadership, and all of you are a part of the problem.

And don't give me that ish about "we put out public notices!" You put out notices while people are dealing with bigger fish to fry ... we are out here trying to stay ALIVE during a PANDEMIC. And I don't care how much your homie DeSantis tries to act like Covid isn't a big deal— the real people out here are suffering. YOU are making it worse.

I don't know how y'all sleep at night.

Worst wishes,

Ashley Faulkner Pissed off Florida resident

From: Chance Johnmeyer < johnmeyerworks@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 12:29 PM

To: Office of Chairman Fay **Subject:** Exorbitant rates NWFL

Chairman Fay,

Hello! My name is Chance Johnmeyer I am a citizen of Santa Rosa County Florida. I am writing to you today regarding the subject of increased power rates brought by the transition from Gulf Power to Florida Power and Light.

Many of my fellow Santa Rosans come from a long proud line of blue collar families. The median income for Santa Rosa County is \$31273. The Federal poverty income threshold for a family of four with two children is \$25465 a difference of \$5,808. The timing of this increase is terrible. In the last 12 months inflation has increased by 6.9% Families are stressed, and this only adds to it.

This rate increase brought by Florida power and Light is both Coercive, and discriminatory. It's coercive as the increase is intended to strongly encourage families to move away from energy usage that calls on the use of fossil fuels for it's production. It's discriminatory as it mostly targets lower income families in Santa Rosa County who live in older houses and mobile homes. This rate increase falls less on families who earn an income that falls into the medium to upper level income brackets. Many of these families live in newer homes, with upgraded heating and cooling systems. In addition their homes are more likely to be well insulated.

I understand that our power grid is in desperate need of upgrading. I also understand that this upgrade takes priority over company profits. The health and well being of many retirees, and families who care for the elderly depend of affordable utility rates. These new projected rates are not affordable and Florida Power and Light asking their customers to saddle this burden for the next four years makes me question their business sense, and the true motive for these increases.

It is my hope that you will convene a emergency meeting with Commissioners La Rosa, Graham, Clark, and Passidomo to reconsider these burdensome rates. Your public service is to the citizens of Florida, not a corporation such as Florida Power and Light.

Respectfully Submitted, Chance A Johnmeyer Milton, Fl.

Sent from Mail for Windows

From: Dan <drcall@smarthorizons.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 9:29 AM

To: Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Chairman Fay; Office of Commissioner Graham;

Office of Commissioner La Rosa

Subject: FPL Fraud

I don't understand how the PSC could be so easily influenced by Florida Power and Light. Their takeover of Gulf Power is turning into an absolute financial debacle for customers, particularly low income customers. What is the PSC going to do about it?