From:	Ellen Plendl
Sent:	Wednesday, March 9, 2022 11:02 AM
То:	Consumer Correspondence
Subject:	Docket No. 20210015
Attachments:	Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company; Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power
	& Light Company; Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company; FW FPL Rates
	and Northwest Florida Unaffordable Energy; FW FPL, NW FL rate hikes; FW FPL in
	Northwest Florida; FW FP&L Bill; donna-burns-response-letter.pdf

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

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ellen Plendl Wednesday, March 9, 2022 10:59 AM 'kisron@gmail.com' Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Mr. Kisron Niles kisron@gmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1392210C

Dear Mr. Niles:

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You also mentioned alternative options in the electric industry in Florida. Florida is not a deregulated state. The Florida Public Service Commission cannot deregulate the electric industry. It would be up to the Florida Legislature to make changes in the Florida Statutes to deregulate the electric industry.

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

Sincerely,

Ellen Plendl Regulatory Consultant Florida Public Service Commission Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach 1-800-342-3552 (phone) 1-800-511-0809 (fax)

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ellen Plendl Wednesday, March 9, 2022 10:55 AM 'barbourkelly@yahoo.com' Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Mr. Kelly Barbour mailto:barbourkelly@yahoo.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1392208C

Dear Mr. Barbour:

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Ellen Plendl Wednesday, March 9, 2022 10:47 AM 'melnels1994@gmail.com' Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Ms. Melissa Nelson melnels1994@gmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1392206C

Dear Ms. Nelson:

The Governor's office forwarded a copy of your email regarding Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC). The FPSC regulates investor-owned electric, and natural gas utilities throughout the state, and investor-owned water and wastewater utilities in those counties which have opted to transfer jurisdiction to the FPSC. The FPSC has authority in the telephone industry which is limited to the Lifeline Assistance Program, Florida Relay Service, and pay telephone service. We appreciate the opportunity to respond directly to you.

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From:	Governor's Office of Citizen Services <eogcitizenservices@eog.myflorida.com></eogcitizenservices@eog.myflorida.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, March 9, 2022 10:37 AM
То:	Ellen Plendl
Subject:	FW: FPL Rates and Northwest Florida Unaffordable Energy

Please find attached email received by the Governor's Office of Citizen Services. This email is forwarded to your office for review and any response or action appropriate.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Martha Lynn Office of Citizen Services Executive Office of the Governor

-----Original Message-----From: Kisron Niles <kisron@gmail.com> Sent: Saturday, March 5, 2022 1:08 PM To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com Subject: FPL Rates and Northwest Florida Unaffordable Energy

Hello Governor,

Please do something about the incredibly high FPL rates in Northwest Florida. With the switch to FPL from Gulf Power in addition to the nationwide inflation and current energy crisis, this is an inappropriate time for customers to be charged higher rates for power. These energy costs in no way resemble what I expect from growing up in Northwest Florida. We are being forced to pay rates that are more akin to states like California with no options to shop around for alternatives. Our power is being monopolized and it will hurt all Republican representatives in future elections since Northwest Florida supports Republican candidates so strongly. Northwest Florida residents cannot afford such high rates and this course of action is very disappointing given the current state of things in the nation and world post-pandemic.

Kisron Niles

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From:	Governor's Office of Citizen Services <eogcitizenservices@eog.myflorida.com></eogcitizenservices@eog.myflorida.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, March 9, 2022 10:36 AM
То:	Ellen Plendl
Subject:	FW: FPL, NW FL rate hikes

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From: Kelly Barbour <barbourkelly@yahoo.com> Sent: Sunday, March 6, 2022 3:59 AM To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com Subject: FPL, NW FL rate hikes

Governor DeSantis

Your loyal constituents in the panhandle are hurting. Can you help. Thank you

Very Respectfully

Kelly Barbour MSGt ret. USAF <u>barbourkelly@yahoo.com</u> 662-574-1356. Text welcome

https://www.nwfdailynews.com/story/opinion/editorials/2022/02/12/fpl-forcing-some-residents-make-chilling-choicesopinion-okaloosa-walton-county-electricity/6639606001/?fbclid=IwAR18n5DwefT-ZPVfyJUT3wqZgGZQl4pDslwss_8FxGpDwUtZ25qBm2raGm4

Sent from my iPhone

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Sent:	Wednesday, March 9, 2022 10:35 AM
То:	Ellen Plendl
Subject:	FW: FPL in Northwest Florida

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-----Original Message-----From: Melissa Nelson <melnels1994@gmail.com> Sent: Sunday, March 6, 2022 11:52 AM To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com Cc: melnels1994@gmail.com Subject: FPL in Northwest Florida

Dear Mr Desantis, I live in Pensacola Florida, we have recently changed power companies here from Gulf Power to FPL. I do realize that everything is higher right now but I do believe that this company is scalping its customers, we live in a 1000.00 square foot home and our bill was averaging around 116.00 a month now it is 285.00 with gas and food prices not sure how we are going to survive. Please help. I voted for you and you are an amazing Governor. Keep up the good work !

Sent from my iPad

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From:Consumer ContactSent:Wednesday, February 16, 2022 2:46 PMTo:Ellen PlendlCc:Shonna McCraySubject:FW: FP&L Bill

Customer included the governors email address with the PSC's. DHood

From: Donna Burns <donnaknowsrealty@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 12, 2022 8:06 PM
To: Consumer Contact <Contact@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; gjohnson@bbbsefl.org; GovernorRon.Desantis@eog.myflorida.com
Subject: FP&L Bill

To Whomever is listening:

I just received my latest FP&L bill and it is almost double what it was last month! I knew rates were going to increase, but if this is what they're gonna keep doing, we won't be able to afford it much longer.

What I really don't understand is how can we, just the two of us, who have the same ole monotonous life, work, come home, watch TV, go to bed, can go from using 1,739 kwh to have used 2,789 kwh, when we keep our thermostat at 66 degrees during the day and 64 degrees at night! I don't know how we used 56 kWh a day last month, nothing changed, but yet this bill says we use 90 kWh a day. I disagree! And I think they should be made to prove it!!!

Can you explain this drastic rate increase?

Thank you for listening,

Donna Burns

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Public Service Commission

March 9, 2022

Mr. & Mrs. Gavin Burns 122 Pinewood Terrace Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1390345E

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Burns:

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

You expressed a concern with high electric bills. Rule 25-6.052, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), requires electric meters to register a weighted average accuracy rating of between 98 percent and 102 percent. If a meter is found to register more than the maximum allowed, the utility is required to credit the customer's bill. We requested FPL offer to test your electric meter for accuracy. FPL sent you an email offering a meter test. However, FPL had no record of you contacting the company to request and schedule the meter test.

You may contact Ms. Andrea Flowers, FPL Customer Service Representative, at 850-444-6858, to request and schedule a meter test, as well as a complimentary energy audit, which will provide you with an analysis of your energy use and appliances, and recommendations to minimize your usage. Home energy audits are available to FPL customers at no charge, once every twelve months.

You also expressed concerns about FPL's recent rate increase. When a utility company files an application for a rate increase with the FPSC, it must explain the need for the requested increase. Its petition must be accompanied by minimum filing requirements (MFRs), which are schedules and reports containing the operation, financial, economic, and rate information needed by the FPSC staff to evaluate the company's revenue increase request, rate structure, and quality of service. The company's proposal and financial information are closely analyzed before a Commission decision is made.

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Complaints serve as a valuable source of information; therefore, your complaint will remain on file with the PSC. We monitor complaints very closely and track any trends which indicate there may be a problem and further action is needed.

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Sincerely,

Shonna McCray

Regulatory Program Administrator Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach

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