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From: Ellen Plendl

Sent:Friday, April 22, 2022 9:18 AMTo:Consumer CorrespondenceSubject:Docket No. 20210015

Attachments: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company; FW Northwest Florida Issue;

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North Walton County are destroying farmland

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

From: Ellen Plendl

Sent: Friday, April 22, 2022 9:14 AM **To:** 'Dean@sowalbeachbuggys.com'

Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Mr. Dean Mitchell

Dean@sowalbeachbuggys.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1394743C

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

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We will add your feedback to Docket No. 20210015, regarding FPL's petition.

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: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2022 3:18 PM

To: Ellen Plendl

Subject: FW: Northwest Florida Issue

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

From: Dean Sowal Beach Buggys < Dean@sowalbeachbuggys.com>

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2022 11:58 AM

To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com

Subject: Northwest Florida Issue

Hi Governor Desantis,

First, Thanks for everything your doing to keep the craziness going on in the world out of Florida. I believe we are one of the last strongholds for sanity in the world thanks to you.

Here in Northwest Florida, Florida Power & Light has purchased Gulf Power. They have more than doubled/quadrupled the rates for power. There has to be some legal actions that can be taken to stop them. This will destroy the panhandle. My neighbor just got a \$1000 power bill, his normal bill is \$200. My power bill averages 100-150 in the winter, because I love the cold and literally NEVER turn on the heat. My bill was almost \$500. The average worker will not be able to pay this, these rates will almost certainly put a huge percentage of the panhandle without power in a matter of months.

Thanks, Dean Mitchell 850-333-0343

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From: Shonna McCray

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 12:41 PM **To:** 'hankshobby@hotmail.com'

Cc: Ellen Plendl

Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Ms. Lori Malson

hankshobby@hotmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1394543C

Dear Ms. Malson:

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You also expressed concern about FPL installing solar facilities in Walton County. We forwarded your concerns to FPL and requested a company representative contact you directly regarding this matter.

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

Sincerely,

Shonna McCray Regulatory Program Administrator Florida Public Service Commission

From: Ellen Plendl

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 11:07 AM

To: 'kisron@gmail.com'

Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Mr. Kisron Niles kisron@gmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1394474C

Dear Mr. Niles:

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We will add your feedback to Docket No. 20210015, regarding FPL's petition.

You also mentioned your residence is experiencing frequent momentary interruptions. To assist you, please provide us with the following:

- * Your service address
- * Your mailing address
- * Your service telephone number
- * Your daytime contact telephone number
- * The name in which your electric bill is addressed
- * Your account number

You may respond by return e-mail or by calling me at 1-800-342-3552. I will look forward to hearing from you.

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: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 10:59 AM

To: Ellen Plendl

Subject: FW: FPL and Northwest Florida Power Issues

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Martha Lynn
Office of Citizen Services
Executive Office of the Governor

----Original Message-----

From: Kisron Niles <kisron@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 1:23 AM

To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com Subject: FPL and Northwest Florida Power Issues

Hello Governor,

I have written your office about this issue recently and will do so again. I will continue to write until we have some resolution or we change our leaders due to voting. I have lived in Northwest Florida for 26 years. I grew up here. Gulf Power was our previous energy provider and it was affordable. FPL has come in and raised our rates dramatically. They tout green energy and reliability. Meanwhile, I pay higher bills and our power goes out frequently here in Crestview, FL. I have paid exorbitant power bills since they took control and have still had 3 power outages just today. What am I paying for? Please resolve this or I will have to alter my voting for all Republicans that I have supported, as have my parents for so many years in what I once thought was the great state of Florida.

Kisron Niles

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From: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 9:41 AM

To: Ellen Plendl

Subject: FW: Solar farms in North Walton County are destroying farmland

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Martha Lynn
Office of Citizen Services
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From: Lori Malson <hankshobby@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 8:32 AM

To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com

Subject: Solar farms in North Walton County are destroying farmland

Florida Power and Light are hurting the people of North Walton county. They have raised utility costs that are hurting many families. Now they are building large solar farms, destroying prime farmland that could supply much needed food for our country, all in the name of fake clean energy.

Please look into this. Some of the people in our communities blame you for letting Florida Power and Light do this. I have lived in Florida all of my 53 years, and you are the best Governor we have ever had. So I know this is not you causing this for North Walton county. Again, please help us stop this.

Thank you, Lori Malson

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