

**Antonia Hover**

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**From:** Ellen Plendl  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 21, 2023 2:25 PM  
**To:** Consumer Correspondence  
**Subject:** Docket Nos. 20230001 & 20230017  
**Attachments:** FW Florida power & Light costs; Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

See attached customer correspondence and replies for Docket Nos. 20230001 & 20230017

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**From:** Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 21, 2023 2:10 PM  
**To:** EOG-Referral  
**Subject:** FW: Florida power & Light costs

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

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**From:** Lisa Cox <tlbcox@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 17, 2023 2:39 PM  
**To:** GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com  
**Subject:** Florida power & Light costs

Constituent message:

1. **Name**  
Lisa Cox
2. **Email Address**  
[tlbcox@comcast.net](mailto:tlbcox@comcast.net)
3. **Phone Number**  
3364094226
4. **Subject**  
Florida power & Light costs
5. **Message**  
I would like to know if anything is being done to curb the price of our power bills? I live in Fort Myers, FL (zip 33907) and since the hurricane our power bill has went from \$50 to \$200! That's a ridiculous increase.

By the way, other than the power bill increase my husband and I were very impressed with how you managed the Ian recovery.

Thank you,  
Lisa G Cox

6. **Attach file (optional)**
7. **User IP Address**  
98.242.164.250
8. **Date Submitted**  
17/02/2023
9. **Time Submitted**  
2:39:07 pm, EST

This message was sent from <https://www.flgov.com>.

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**From:** Ellen Plendl  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 21, 2023 2:24 PM  
**To:** 'tlbcox@comcast.net'  
**Subject:** Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Ms. Lisa Cox  
tlbcox@comcast.net

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1416208C

Dear Ms. Cox:

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.

You expressed a concern about recent rate increases, including the fuel charge. The fuel charge recovers the actual cost to secure and process the fuel necessary to generate electricity. Fuel rates mirror rising and falling fuel costs as reflected in the international marketplace. Any revenue generated by the fuel charge pays fuel suppliers and transporters; utilities are not allowed to earn a profit on fuel costs. On your bill, fuel appears as a separate cents per kilowatt-hour charge.

Each year, utilities file their projected fuel costs for the upcoming calendar year. The FPSC, along with the Office of Public Counsel and other consumer representatives, closely examine the utilities' requested fuel costs. Public hearings are held to set the annual fuel factors. Since rates are set on projected costs, at the end of the year, the costs are "trued-up" or compared to the audited actual expenses incurred by the utility. Any over or under recovery from the utility's actual costs will be reflected in next year's costs. The fuel cost adjustment is recognized by state commissions, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and is also used by most municipal electric utilities and rural electric cooperatives.

On December 6, 2022, the FPSC set the 2023 fuel charge for the customers of FPL after carefully considering testimony and evidence on its projected costs at a public hearing.

Below is a breakdown of FPL residential customer bills for 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity prior to January 2023, as well as bills effective January 2023.

### **TOTAL MONTHLY BILL - RESIDENTIAL SERVICE - 1,000 KILOWATT HOURS**

**January 2023**

<b><u>Present</u></b> <b><u>September - December 2022</u></b>	Florida Power & Light Company
Base Rate Charges	\$75.82
Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause	\$34.87
Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Clause	\$1.34
Environmental Cost Recovery Clause	\$2.99
Capacity Cost Recovery Clause	\$2.39
Storm Damage Cost Surcharge	N/A
Storm Protection Plan Cost Recovery	\$2.14

Asset Securitization Charge	N/A
Transition Rider/Credit	-\$1.98
Clean Energy Transition Mechanism	N/A
Gross Receipts Tax and Regulatory Assessment Fee	\$3.10
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$120.67</u></b>

<b>Revised</b>	Florida Power
<b>January 2023</b>	<b>&amp; Light Co.</b>
Base Rate Charges	\$80.11
Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause	\$37.45
Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Clause	\$1.22
Environmental Cost Recovery Clause	\$3.12
Capacity Cost Recovery Clause	-\$1.97
Storm Damage Cost Surcharge	N/A
Storm Protection Plan Cost Recovery	\$3.82
Asset Securitization Charge	N/A
Transition Rider/Credit	-\$1.58
Clean Energy Transition Mechanism	N/A
Gross Receipts Tax and Regulatory Assessment Fee	\$3.22
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$125.39</u></b>

<b>Increase / (Decrease)</b>	Florida Power
	<b>&amp; Light Co.</b>
Base Rate Charges	\$4.29
Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Clause	\$2.58
Energy Conservation Cost Recovery Clause	-\$0.12
Environmental Cost Recovery Clause	\$0.13
Capacity Cost Recovery Clause	-\$4.36
Storm Damage Cost Surcharge	N/A
Storm Protection Plan Cost Recovery	\$1.68
Asset Securitization Charge	N/A
Transition Rider/Credit	\$0.40
Clean Energy Transition Mechanism	N/A
Gross Receipts Tax and Regulatory Assessment Fee	\$0.12
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$4.72</u></b>

FPL has filed for a Mid-course correction for fuel charges. Mid-course corrections are used by the Commission between annual fuel clause hearings whenever costs deviate from revenue by a significant margin. Cost recovery factors are usually effective for a period of 12 months. However, we require that if an investor-owned electric company's fuel or capacity cost recovery position is projected to exceed a specified range within the standard 12-month timeframe, then a filing and analysis into the continued reasonableness of the prevailing cost recovery factors must be performed. This requirement is codified by Rule 25- 6.0424, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), and is commonly referred to as the "mid-course correction rule."

(Over or under collection is a credit or debit to the amount to be collected the next period (year). The total fuel factor may go up or down regardless of whether there was an over or under collection in the prior period.)

FPL also filed a petition for limited proceeding for recovery of incremental storm restoration costs related to Hurricanes Ian and Nicole in Docket 20230017.

We appreciate you sharing your views and will add your correspondence to both dockets.

You may review all the information filed for Commission consideration in the above dockets by accessing the FPSC website at <http://www.floridapsc.com>. Under the Clerk's Office tab at the top of the page, click on Dockets. Type in each

docket number. Click the Search button. Then select Document Filings Index for a list of all filings in the docket. This procedure allows you to view all of the information filed by each utility and other parties in the docket.

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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Florida Public Service Commission  
Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach  
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