## **Charlie Smith**

From:	John Plescow
Sent:	Monday, July 31, 2023 2:18 PM
То:	Consumer Correspondence; Diane Hood
Subject:	FW: Florida Power and Light and electricity in Florida in general

Please, add to docket 20230001.

-----Original Message-----From: Diane Hood <DHOOD@PSC.STATE.FL.US> On Behalf Of Consumer Contact Sent: Monday, July 31, 2023 11:19 AM To: John Plescow <JPlescow@PSC.STATE.FL.US> Subject: FW: Florida Power and Light and electricity in Florida in general

Filed as a contact 1426002C. Please advise what letter I should send, and if this needs to be forwarded to FPL. DHood

-----Original Message-----From: James Mack <moledog43@aol.com> Sent: Saturday, July 29, 2023 2:25 PM To: Consumer Contact <Contact@PSC.STATE.FL.US> Subject: Florida Power and Light and electricity in Florida in general

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Florida PSC To whom it may concern:

I continue to be appalled at the deforestation of vast sections of rural NW Florida for the installation of solar farms by FP&L. I'm sure no one has considered the trade off in carbon footprint by doing this much less the flow of my utilities dollars out of the country to places like China that have control of the rare earth minerals needed for and the means of production for these 'green' solar cells. This is the most expensive and unreliable form of electric power. And it's likely to be severely damaged by hurricanes or tornadoes. So much for their power grid. An electric COOP engineer who recently attended a conference in Clearwater told me that the solar farms will only have enough storage for 3 hrs of power if the farm goes down which it will every night.

I'm also appalled that they are using the rate increases to plug their 'green programs' and the diversity of their workforce on both radio and television. Why do they need to convince me to do business with them? I don't have any other choice except to move since YOU have granted them a monopoly in most areas.

This large, down state company should have never been allowed to gobble up Gulf Power. Service lead times and personnel have been poorer since that buy out. I really don't think their liberal management cares much about the smaller customer base.

You should demand that all power providers in Florida 1. Build nothing but natural gas generating plants which are both safe and can be turned up or down quickly for demand. If viable other fuel sources such as hydrogen are found in the future, they can easily be converted to operate on that. Even carbon capture could be employed to be greener sooner. 2. Harden the power grid with both storm proof transmission lines and redundant routing. None of this is rocket science and would provide lower cost and more reliable service to the burgeoning population that continues to flood into the state.

In addition, you need to keep the existing nuclear plants on line. While it would be much better if the country had built a spent fuel and other contaminated material repository, since the opted out on that, the waste will just continue to have to be managed locally as it has been.

Hopefully, you will discuss these recommendations and implement.

Sincerely,

James M. Mack

Sent from my iPhone