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**From:** Nickalus Holmes on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 4, 2025 12:16 PM  
**To:** 'jim tollerton'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Draft of my virtual presentation @ 10 a.m. 6/3/25

Good afternoon Mr. Tollerton

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20250011, and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you,

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Office of Commission Clerk  
Florida Public Service Commission  
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**From:** jim tollerton <jim@professionalbenefits.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 4, 2025 9:51 AM  
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**Subject:** Draft of my virtual presentation @ 10 a.m. 6/3/25

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Good morning, I'm Jim Tollerton 70 year resident of Sarasota, FL

Thank you for giving me a moment to share my perspective on the FPL proposed rate increase. In full disclosure I own 100 shares of Next Era Energy Stock. I believe the company has done a commendable job of anticipating growth by expanding their sources of energy and they need to do more in the future! That requires profits and resulting capital to invest for the future.

I have been a residential customer of FPL for over 70 years. It appears to me that my residential bill would increase approximately \$3/month. I am comfortable with that request. I have also been a commercial customer.

I can recall the brown outs of the 1950s when local growth exceeded the company's capacity to provide enough power. Hopefully we can avoid such in the future by granting the company an opportunity to prepare. Recently, FPL did yeoman work to help our community during the three 500 year storms we experienced on the west coast last year alone. Also, I can tell you as a former Board member of the Sarasota Memorial Hospital that they were a wonderful partner to us during our growth and continue to be so. Power is the lifeblood and critical to a hospital, as well as a community.

The explosive population growth of Florida and demands on commercial power use, especially the geometric growth from Artificial Intelligence, calls for anticipation by investing in the future to continue to provide critical infrastructure to provide power.

In the beginning is price and in the end, cost. Not paying the price now will certainly lead to a greater cost down the road.

Best wishes in your considerations of their request.