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Docket No. 20250011-EI

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing because Florida Power and Lights (FPL) recently notified us (the customers) that they have filed a comprehensive four-year rate increase. While at the same time, they stated that they are a non-profit company, and they have stated the they will keep our bills as low as possible. I do not understand any of the nuances of power companies, nor how they decide what to charge us. What I do know is that before FPL took over the Gulf Power market in Pensacola, Florida, our utility bill was **not** as high as is it from the inception of FPL takeover. Whatever Gulf Power's policies or procedures were and how ever they invested their funds our utility bill was lower. If possible, please consider comparing the two companies and make a recommendation to FPL.

FPL stated they use a number of power sources to help keep the price of our utilities low. However, they are asking for an increase over the next four years. Technology is improving rapidly, power storage, and resources are also improving. So, I feel FPL should reevaluate the requested increase annually over the next four years. Then make a determination because the technological advancement may prove that an increase may not be necessary.

Asking their customers to agree to an already increased rate over Gulf Power's rates does not seem reasonable in my opinion. Not only that, but most of what we pay has nothing to do with our fuel (KWH) or non-fuel power usage. Some of the none power usage that we pay to the power companies are:

- Deposit (which is refundable but without interest in most cases)
- Base charge
- Minimum base bill charge

The actual cost of using 100 kWh of power is \$14.15. Please see below:

If non-fuel is 0.11306

Total: \$11.31

Fuel is 0.02839

Total: \$2.84

As you can see. In some cases, the charges and fees are more than the actual cost of power. I hope this letter will help you see that we, the consumer (the customer), need relief from these **already** enormous charges we are paying for electric power.

Please help us in this matter. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Florida Power and Lights Customer

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