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From: Nickalus Holmes on behalf of Records Clerk

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2025 8:10 AM

To: 'Matthew H. Guidera'
Cc: Consumer Contact

Subject: RE: Docket 20250011-ei FPL Proposed rate

Good Morning

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

Thank you,
Nick Holmes
Commission Deputy Clerk II
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Florida Public Service Commission
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Subject: Docket 20250011-ei FPL Proposed rate

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Dear Public Service Commission Members:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to further increases in rates recently requested by FPL, Docket number 20250011-EI

This summer my bill already increased more than thirty dollars each month, costing me \$300 to cool a small 1200 ft. square house. My prior highest bill had been 260.

Florida residents face the largest electric rate increase in U.S. history, with steep hikes in our utility bills. Seniors on fixed incomes, businesses and low income folks will be more impacted than ever, adding to the already strained situation after the pandemic shut-down and subsequent inflation.

The corporate model of <u>increasing profit</u>, <u>rather than a healthy or sufficient profit</u> is not compatible with this service monopoly.

What FPL is requesting is up to 11.9% allowable profit or Return on Equity (ROE)—far exceeding the national average of 9.5%. Is this what we want for out State to become, a model for profit-seeking?

A 20% increase of the residential monthly minimum base bill from its current level of \$25 to \$30 monthly for all residential customers. This is **an additional increase in the amount customers must pay**, even if their individual billing components are less than \$30.

This rate **proposal does not consider other costs passed on to customers**, such fuel surcharge increases, nuclear cost recovery, environmental and energy charges, storm hardening and storm restoration recovery charges. The base rate increase is on top of all of these.

It has been my experience that **FPL vastly underestimates true increases** to customer's bills. Even recently when calling the company they provide insufficient explanation to customers regarding the origin of the increase.

It is my opinion that the state should demand that Florida Power and Light demonstrates that its decisions are truly financially efficient and that it passes those savings on to the public.

It is also is obvious is that, with every step that the individual customer takes to spend less on energy, there has been a subsequent increase in rates!

I respectfully request that you take into account the financial stress many Floridians are currently facing and assist governor De Santis in reducing this by disallowing any further rate increases for several years.

Thank you for your attention to this.

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