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From: John Plescow
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2025 4:21 PM
To: Consumer Correspondence; Consumer Correspondence
Subject: FW: Public Comment — Docket No. 20240026-EI (Tampa Electric Rate Increase)

Please, add to docket 20240026.

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Sent: Thursday, October 16, 2025 3:13 PM
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Subject: RE: Public Comment — Docket No. 20240026-EI (Tampa Electric Rate Increase)

John,
Please forward to clerk's office.
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To: Florida Public Service Commission

Subject: Public Comment on Docket No. 20240026-EI (Tampa Electric Company Rate Increase)

Dear Commissioners,

I am a Tampa Electric residential customer writing to express my deep concern and opposition to the recent and ongoing rate increases approved under Docket No. 20240026-EI and related storm-cost recovery proceedings (Docket No. 20240172-EI).

Over the past year, my monthly electric bill has increased dramatically — rising from approximately \$148 to \$244, even though my usage and household situation have not changed. I live alone, keep my thermostat at 78°F, and already practice significant energy conservation. Despite this, my Budget Billing amount has been recalculated multiple times, each time higher, without any realistic option for relief.

These increases are making it increasingly difficult for ordinary customers like me to afford to stay in our homes. Fixed-income residents and working families are being priced out by these repeated hikes, which appear to outpace both inflation and wage growth.

I respectfully request that the Commission:

1. Reconsider the approved base-rate increases and associated surcharges;
2. Require greater transparency from TECO on how Budget Billing recalculations are determined;
3. Expand or mandate assistance programs for moderate-income households before any future rate adjustments are approved.

It's time for fairness, transparency, and compassion in Florida's utility pricing. I urge the Commission to put people before profit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for considering the impact these decisions have on everyday Floridians.

Sincerely,

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