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**From:** Janet Brunson  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 11:27 AM  
**To:** 'ramman23@gmail.com'  
**Cc:** Consumer Correspondence; Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** FPL Rate Increase - Docket No. 160021-EI

Dear Mr. Melville:

Thank you for contacting the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) about Florida Power & Light Company's (FPL) rate petition. To give Commissioners and staff an opportunity to review your comments, your correspondence is included in the file for Docket No.160021-EI.

As you know, the PSC customer service hearings were held in June in FPL's service territory for Commissioners to hear directly from customers about the utility's rate request and service. All customer comments during the hearings and all correspondence will be reviewed and considered when PSC staff prepares its recommendation to the Commissioners on FPL's proposed rates.

The PSC's evidentiary hearing on FPL's rate case will be in August in Tallahassee. Witnesses from the utility, intervenors, Commission staff, and the Public Counsel, who represents customers, will present testimony and exhibits and be cross-examined by the Commissioners and other parties. Commissioners will examine FPL's need for a rate increase, its existing and proposed rate structure, and its ability to provide safe and reliable service.

Commissioners are charged with making sure that Florida's utility companies fulfill their service obligation. The PSC will ensure that final customer rates reflect only those costs that are prudent and necessary for FPL to deliver quality electric service to your home or business. Any proposed rate adjustment is requested to begin in January 2017.

If you have additional questions or need further assistance, please call 1-800-342-3552. If you want updated case information, visit the PSC's website, [www.floridapsc.com](http://www.floridapsc.com) and click on the Clerk's Office tab, then hit Dockets and type in case number 160021.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello  
Assistant Director  
Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach  
Phone: 850-413-6107

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**From:** Sandra Soto **On Behalf Of** Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 09, 2016 8:25 AM  
**To:** 'S&R Melville'  
**Subject:** RE: FPL's request for an unnecessary \$1.34 billion increase in base rates.

Dear Mr. Melville,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 160021-EI and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

Sandra Soto  
Commission Deputy Clerk I  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, FL 32399  
(850) 413-6010

**From:** S&R Melville [<mailto:ramman23@gmail.com>]

**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 8:22 PM

**To:** Records Clerk

**Subject:** FPL's request for an unnecessary \$1.34 billion increase in base rates.

**RE: Florida Power & Light's request for a \$1.34 billion increase in base rates. I oppose the rate increase based on these two facts:**

1. \$960 million of FPL's rate increase will go into FPL investors' pockets. None of those funds will go to service enhancements, disaster preparedness, or energy innovation.
2. FPL is on target to make \$1.6B in profit in 2017 without the requested rate increase.

The consumer shouldn't be required to pay 23% monthly increases to the monopoly power provider in Florida when FPL is already significantly profitable. The increase would provide an unprecedented shareholder profit of about 12% percent.

If FPL wants to reward investors it shouldn't be done at the expense of FPL customers. Perhaps FPL should buy-back some of their shares and

use those proceeds and resulting increased per-share value to reward investors without punishing customers.

Richard Melville  
FPL residential customer  
Englewood, Florida

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