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#### Customer correspondence

From: Diane Hood Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2016 3:30 PM To: Ruth McHargue Subject: To CLK Docket 160021

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From:	Beatrice Balboa <beatricebalboa@gmail.com></beatricebalboa@gmail.com>	
Sent:	Saturday, December 17, 2016 5:13 PM	
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Cc:	Consumer Contact; Commissioner Correspondence	
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Attachments:	Miami-Dade Green Party to Protest at FPL Office in Coral Gables Today _ Miami New	
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I was reading the latest news media article(s) regarding the latest Florida Power & Light Co. (FPL) proposed electrical rate increase activities throughout the State of Florida with great interest. Please review and implement an action plan to thoroughly address this extremely troubling issue. Media reports continue to underscore the ongoing significant rate increase requests throughout the State of Florida, despite an increasingly faltering economy impacting senior citizens living on fixed incomes disproportionately. Please coordinate, collaborate and cooperate on Federal, State and/or local jurisdictional levels in addressing these concerns potentially impacting adversely the public's safety, finances, policies, trust, confidence, and quality of life issues. Thank you for your time in this matter and hope to hear from you soon.

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# Group to Protest FPL's Electricity Monopoly Today

**BY JERRY IANNELLI** 

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2016 AT 8:30 A.M.



Environmentalists are concerned about FPL's plans to expand the nuclear plant at Turkey Point.

Photo via EPA

Florida Power & Light — the only company legally allowed to give Miamians electricity — has made a series of decisions this year that, at best, have seriously frustrated its customers. It has hiked its rates for no apparent reason, degraded the environment, and actively tried to trick voters into backing a bogus anti-solar amendment.

Though FPL's year of poor decisions will end soon, some scorned customers want to make sure the utility company knows they're upset.

At 4 p.m. tomorrow, dozens say they plan to crowd outside FPL's office at 4200 W. Flagler St. in Coral Gables to protest the fact that FPL's monopoly over energy in the eastern and southern parts of Florida is likely hurting consumers.

The Miami-Dade County chapter of the Green Party is organizing the protests. The group says the demonstration is simply one part of a new biweekly initiative to hold FPL accountable when it's caught harming the environment or Florida residents.

"The Miami-Dade and Broward Green Parties will be holding bi-weekly actions to protest and raise awareness of FPL's unlawful monopoly of Florida's energy resources and its newly approved rate hikes," the Green Party writes online. "We are also demanding that the state's Public Service Commission do their jobs and represent #PeopleOverTraffic instead of rubberstamping FPL's corporate greed."

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At this point, FPL has miles and miles to go before it can smooth out its relationship with the public. At the beginning of 2016, the cooling canals at the company's Turkey Point Nuclear Generating Station, just south of Miami, were found to be leaking waste into Biscayne Bay,

albeit at a level deemed safe for humans. A public battle with regulators ensued, leading a group of concerned environmentalists to sue the company to force it to clean up the canals.

Now FPL is applying to store new radioactive waste directly under Miami's drinking-water aquifer, a move that environmentalists say could permanently contaminate the city's water supply in the event of a leak.

In the meantime, FPL requested a \$1.3 billion rate hike from the state's Public Service Commission, which technically acts as a check on "legalized monopolies" such as FPL. But critics say the governor-appointed commission simply functions as a money-printing scheme for monopolies: Eventually, FPL was granted an \$811 million rate hike over the next three years despite turning a \$1.6 billion profit last year.

FPL says it needs that money to build a backup natural-gas generator, but environmentalists say the company is just vomiting money at random projects in order to ask for a rate hike instead of concentrating on vital green-energy initiatives such as wind and solar power.

And rather than embrace solar power, FPL this year wasted \$8 million backing a fraudulently written amendment designed to trick consumers into giving up some of their rights to solar panels at their homes.

Critics say all of these stories point to a monopoly run amok in the Sunshine State and a severe lack of oversight in Tallahassee, where most of the rules that govern FPL's "regulated monopoly" status are written. A handful of state Democrats, such as Sen. Jose Javier Rodriguez, have said they plan to push the state to break up FPL-size energy monopolies.

But with the Florida Democratic Party in the midst of a leadership crisis as it continues to lose seats in the state, it appears grassroots protests might be the only pushback FPL receives for the foreseeable future.

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From:	Gina <gmc1971@juno.com></gmc1971@juno.com>
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То:	Consumer Contact
Subject:	SO how much did YOU get to screw us AGAIN?

So FPLs 1.6 BILLION in PROFIT last year isnt enough? Its ok to pass it so "their pockets wont be injured"?? What the hell is wrong with you? Seriously? The only way you were too stupid to pass this, in a state with more elderly and poor than any other is that YOU GET A HUGE PIECE OF THE PIE...

WE WILL FIND OUT HOW MUCH YOU WERE PAID. Just like when you allowed them that increase to build a plant they never built and of course that WAS PURE PROFIT. You are a bunch of greedy ON THE TAKE ASSHOLES WHO NEED TO BE FIRED. I have NEVER EVER sent an email like this before but I dont care. You are ALL appalling, greedy, self serving pieces of shit that have a heavy dose of Karma heading your way. Hope your swiss bank accounts are well hidden, because we WILL find out how much YOU WERE PAID TO SCREW US AGAIN...When people start dying because they can no longer pay for their meds, (Me for example CANNOT AFFORD another \$10 a month, so there goes a medication!) it is on your heads...Oh but you wont care. You have no souls.

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