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From: Ruth McHargue
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 3:16 PM
To: Consumer Correspondence
Cc: Diane Hood; Janet Brunson
Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 160186
Attachments: Re Docket # 160186-EI – Please Reject Fixed Charge Increase; Re Docket # 160186-EI – Please Reject Fixed Charge Increase

Customer correspondence

From: Diane Hood
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 11:28 AM
To: Ruth McHargue
Subject: To CLK Docket 160186

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From: Constance Swanson <Donconswanc@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 25, 2017 7:45 AM
To: Consumer Contact
Subject: Re: Docket # 160186-EI – Please Reject Fixed Charge Increase

Dear Public Service Commission,
Gulf Power already has one of the highest fixed charges in the region, and the country. Their proposed rate hike is unprecedented, unnecessary, and unfair. I am writing to ask you to reject this proposed rate hike in Docket 160186-EI.

There is no justifiable reason to increase the monthly fixed charge to \$48. This increase is not the type of energy policy that we should be working towards in Florida. This rate hike effectively punishes good behavior, by forcing me to pay an extraordinarily high monthly charge regardless of how much power I actually use. I already try to be careful about how much electricity I use every month, but this proposal would mean I have even less control over my monthly bill.

In trying economic times, utilities should not be increasing their profits on the backs of already strained customers with unfair rate structures. Please reject this proposal from Gulf Power.

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From: Constance Swanson <Donconswanc@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 25, 2017 7:43 AM
To: Consumer Contact
Subject: Re: Docket # 160186-EI – Please Reject Fixed Charge Increase

Dear Public Service Commission,

As a concerned customer of Gulf Power, I am writing to ask you to reject the proposed rate hike in Docket 160186-EI. There is no justifiable reason to increase the monthly fixed charge to \$48. This increase is unprecedented and not the type of energy policy that we should be working towards in Florida. Other utility commissions around the country have already rejected similar proposals, and there is no reason for Florida to do differently.

By charging me nearly \$50 every month, regardless of how much electricity I use, this rate hike will effectively punish good behavior! If I chose to invest in energy efficiency or simply be thrifty with how much power I use every month, I will still be hit with a higher bill. Charges like this hurt hardworking families, those on fixed incomes, and our most vulnerable community members. This is not a fair practice; please reject this proposal.

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