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I am writing in response to the July 3, 2017 Florida Public Utilities Company filed Petition to increase rates and charges to produce an additional \$1,823,869 in revenues.

I applaud their plans to improve the safety and stability, storm harden and modernize. However, the cost should not be paid by their customers because Florida Public Utilities Company is grossly inefficient. Their rates are 50% higher than those of Florida Power & Light (FPL). This should not be allowed.

We moved to Fernandina Beach from Stuart, Florida 5 months ago. We were shocked when the first electric bill arrived in the mail. Florida Public Utilities Company charged us more than \$0.15 per kWh. In Stuart, FL, Florida Power & Light charged us only \$0.10 per kWh.

Paying 50% more for electricity hurts us in two ways. We are a retired couple living on a fixed income and we own a Chevy Volt hybrid plug-in. At \$0.15 per kWh, it cheaper to run our car on gasoline rather than electricity.

I hope that you will require Florida Public Utilities Company to run their company more efficiently rather than get an increase in rates and charges on top of their very high \$015 per kWh charges to their customers,

Yours, truly,

  
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