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From: Office of Commissioner Brown

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 4:12 PM

To: Commissioner Correspondence

**Subject:** FW: Letter from Sen. Rodriguez re: special hearing on Turkey Point 6 & 7

**Attachments:** Sen Rodriguez letter to PSC re TP 10.16.17.pdf

Good Afternoon,

Please place the attached letter in Docket Correspondence, Consumers and their Representatives, in Docket No. 20170009-EI. Thank you.

From: Hudtwalcker, Chris [mailto:Hudtwalcker.Chris@flsenate.gov]

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 3:34 PM

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Commissioner Brisé; PSC Media; Rodriguez, Jose; Jimenez, Laura

Subject: Letter from Sen. Rodriguez re: special hearing on Turkey Point 6 & 7

Madam Chairman and Commissioners,

Attached please find a letter from Senator Jose Javier Rodriguez regarding the Special Commission Conference scheduled for tomorrow.

Thank you.

**Chris Hudtwalcker, Esq.**Chief Legislative Aide to
<u>Senator Jose Javier Rodriguez</u>

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October 16, 2017

Honorable Julie Imanuel Brown Chairman, Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 Sent via email to Commissioner.Brown@psc.state.fl.us

Dear Madam Chairman,

I write today in advance of the October 17, 2017, Special Commission Conference in docket number 20170009-EI on the issue of nuclear cost recovery for Florida Power & Light's proposed nuclear expansion at Turkey Point.

This project has been an absolute boondoggle for which FPL customers have already paid over \$282 million, for a project with no assurances of ever being completed. As you know, the project and the existing nuclear reactors have been plagued with problems, from overheating cooling canals, to saltwater intrusion into Biscayne Bay, and, most recently, the bankruptcy of Westinghouse Electric Company, which means that the source of the proposed nuclear plant's nuclear reactors is now unclear. It is little wonder, then, that FPL has refused to provide the Commission with its statutorily required feasibility study of the proposed expansion in either of the last two years.

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With the projected cost of the expansion ballooning well past the initial projections, up to roughly between \$15 billion and \$22 billion, it is imperative that customers not be required to continue paying for a project that, on all available evidence, will likely never be built. Indeed, the Commission should order FPL to *refund* to customers all advanced cost recovery paid to FPL for the proposed expansion at Turkey Point. I would also request that the Commission adopt the staff recommendations for the Special Commission Conference, particularly in regards to the recommendation that FPL not be allowed to recover for costs accrued during the "pause" at a future time.

Thank you for your consideration of these issues.

Regards,

Senator José Javier Rodríguez

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