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## COMMISSION

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Docket # 20170235-EI and 20170236-EU

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to you to urge you to approve the sale of the city of Vero Beach power system to FPL.

As someone who owns a business outside of the Vero Beach city limits but is forced to use city of Vero Beach power, I am tired of paying artificially high electric rates solely to subsidize city of Vero Beach expenses for the benefit of city residents. It has been well documented that I pay the city of Vero Beach approximately 20% higher rates than if I were paying FPL rates. Other businesses nearby that pay substantially lower FPL rates enjoy a competitive advantage as far as power costs, which is unfair, especially since this issue can be and should be resolved by selling the power system.

Please approve this sale and don't be swayed by a few selfish city residents that are opposing the sale so I can continue to pay for their city expenses through my excess power costs.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely

J. B. Hudson

President

Poinsettia Groves, Inc.