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Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 8:28 AM

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Cc: Consumer Contact

Subject: FW: Public Comment, City of Miramar, for Docket #20190015 (Commission review of

numeric conservation goals (Florida Power & Light Company))

Attachments: CityOfMiramarLetter.pdf

Good Morning, Ms. Rose.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket Number 20190015 and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

Toni Hover Commission Deputy Clerk I Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

From: Rose, Elsi [mailto:erose@miramarfl.gov] Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 5:48 PM

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Subject: Public Comment, City of Miramar, for Docket #20190015 (Commission review of numeric conservation goals

(Florida Power & Light Company))

Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached docket reference # 20190015 which is a signed letter to the PSC in reference to the energy efficiency policies of utilities – specifically FPL.

Thank you for registering my email and posting the letter to the website. Can you please let me know when this is done?

Much appreciated,

Elsi Rose



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August 8, 2019

Chairman Art Graham Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act – Submittal for General Comment Period

Docket No. 20190015

Dear Chairman and Members of the Florida Public Service Commission:

The City of Miramar is committed to strengthening our regional economy through strong energy efficiency and Demand Side Management (DSM) programs. We believe that supporting DSM efforts will provide direct benefits to our local energy consumers; boost the economy; create local, family-wage jobs; and help Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) avoid large fuel and infrastructure costs that increase electricity bills for our residents and businesses. The strategic and responsible goal of increasing energy efficiency and conservation also strengthens the long-term prosperity of our community and local businesses. Moreover, the City of Miramar is excited to offer our assistance to FP&L in its efforts to achieve its DSM goals by connecting residents and businesses with DSM program opportunities.

Due to the significant benefits that efficiency can provide to our community, the City of Miramar is interested in strengthening FPL's DSM programs under the Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (FEECA). Expanded DSM efforts have the potential to deliver tremendous benefits to our local community — particularly for low-and-moderate income households who struggle to afford electricity.

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Unfortunately, the energy-saving goals proposed by Florida's electric utilities fall drastically behind their Southeastern and national peers. The investor-owned utilities subject to FEECA saved on average about 0.22% of retail sales in 2015 compared to a national average of 0.89%. In addition, in 2017, only five other states saved less electricity than Florida. Notably, the utilities' proposals in the current FEECA proceeding propose no meaningful improvements to address this track record and would instead continue the status quo of sub-optimal energy-saving programs.

For these reasons, we urge the Commission to take steps toward strengthening DSM policies and programs in Florida and specifically to:

- Establish stronger utility energy savings goals as part of the current FEECA proceeding.
- Use the total resource cost test (TRC) or the participant cost test (PCT) to evaluate the costs and benefits of energy efficiency.
- Propose new and expanded energy-saving programs for limited-income Floridians. And,
- Eliminate the "two-year payback screen" which prevents utilities from offering the energy efficiency technologies and services that are most cost-effective.

On behalf of the state's electric consumers, I thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration. If you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact me, or Elsi Rose, Development & Capital Management Coordinator at (954) 602-3270.

Respectfully,

Vernon E. Hargray

City Manager
City of Miramar