

**Brian Schultz**

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**From:** Brian Schultz on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Monday, November 16, 2020 9:30 AM  
**To:** 'Diane Merlino (diane4m@yahoo.com) Sent You a Personal Message'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: PSC Docket No. 20200176 - Say No to Duke CEC

Good Morning, Diane Merlino

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200176-EI and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

Brian Schultz  
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Florida Public Service Commission  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Diane Merlino (diane4m@yahoo.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2020 3:49 PM  
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
Subject: PSC Docket No. 20200176 - Say No to Duke CEC

Dear Adam Teitzman,

I find it totally appalling that residents and small businesses are going to have to pay fees for something that should be a normal transition that all utilities should be doing. They are, after all, a for-profit corporation. They should be absorbing the cost of solar farms.

I'm a Duke Energy customer and a member of the Sierra Club.

I support solar, however, I do not support it being used as a ruse to require all customers to pay big corporations, like Walmart, millions of dollars when those corporations are perfectly capable of paying for those costs themselves. Vulnerable communities already have a difficult enough time paying their current utility bills without an additional rate increase that will subsidize big corporations instead of providing all ratepayers the benefits of clean energy.

Please deny Duke Energy's request to approve their Clean Energy Connection program. If all customers, like me, are paying for solar then we deserve to also enjoy all the cost savings of that solar, and not just big corporations.

Sincerely,

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