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From: Ellen Plendl

Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 7:55 AM

To: Consumer Correspondence **Subject:** Docket No. 20210015

Attachments: FW FP&L NW; FW Florida Power & Light Company in Bay County; FW Florida Power &

Lights; Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company; Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company; Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company; Re Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company; FW FPL Florida Power & Light; Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company; Re Consumer Inquiry - Florida

Power & Light Company

See attached customer correspondence and FPSC replies for Docket No. 20210015.

From: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 11:07 AM

To: Ellen Plendl
Subject: FW: FP&L NW

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Martha Lynn
Office of Citizen Services
Executive Office of the Governor

----Original Message-----

From: Randy Rubin <randy@imarubin.com>
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 11:51 PM
To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com

Subject: FP&L NW

Mr DeSantis,

As you may or may not be aware all of your citizens in NW FL are now struggling and trying to get answers to our now very high power bills since the 1st of the year. Gulf Power was turned over to FP&L and several thousand and I'm sure more people have received bills that are double and even tripple I myself had a 24% increase from the same time last year with less usage. We are at our wits end. Our elected representatives are doing nothing to address this issue other than being condescending. People are having to choose now between power or food. The increases are that much. We have been fed a line of BS about initial investments, board approvals and 4 year reductions, but we live in the here and now. Most people simply can not afford anywhere from 100-400 more a month for the same product. They are ruthlessly turn off peoples power during the coldest months. There are a few face book pages. The more populated one is FPL (former Gulf Power) Price Gouging - Northwest Florida.

We need some help up here. It seems every place we turn everyone, including our elected officials are "in bed" with FPL.

Thank you for any assistance

Randy Rubin

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 11:16 AM

To: Ellen Plendl

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From: Hollie Adams <octopusqueen@icloud.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 12:25 AM To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com

Subject: Florida Power & Light Company in Bay County

Hello Gov. Desantis,

As I'm sure you've heard through the grape vine, FPL has merged with Gulf Power Co. and the effects being felt in the Panhandle are downright crippling.

These are some of the coldest months we face here in FL and many people I know, myself included, are forced to turn our heaters off and try to figure out how we can stay warm. The reason behind this is the insanely high rates being charged by FPL for use of the same, if not less, Kw/h. People are seeing their bills doubled despite efforts to keep usage low by literally freezing.

Please, please, look into this matter. You visit Bay County quite a bit, show support for the people here by helping us by investigating why this is happening. No family in your state should have to pick between heating their homes or putting food on the table.

Thank you,

Hollie A.

Bay County Resident

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Chris Brennan <cmbrennan311@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 2:49 AM **To:** GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com

Subject: Florida Power & Lights

Mr. Governor, I am writing you to ask if you are aware of the situation in the Florida panhandle regarding electricity bills. Since FPL took over Gulf Power, power bills have doubled and even tripled in price. People with health conditions, small children & pets, and fixed incomes are going to be powerless in the dead of winter. FPL does not care about the well-being of their customers and they claim this will even out in 5 years. Alex Andrade has been contacted and he doesn't believe people's claims and basically tells everyone to calm down & deal with it. Pensacola and the surrounding areas are in trouble and we need all the help we can get. Please, help us Governor DeSantis.

Your fellow Floridian, Christopher Brennan

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From: Ellen Plendl

Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 2:22 PM 'cmbrennan311@gmail.com'

Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Mr. Chris Brennan

cmbrennan311@gmail.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1388808C

Dear Mr. Brennan:

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From: Ellen Plendl

Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 2:27 PM 'octopusqueen@icloud.com'

Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Ms. Hollie Adams

octopusqueen@icloud.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1388811C

Dear Ms. Adams:

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From: Ellen Plendl

Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 2:32 PM

To: 'randy@imarubin.com'

Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Mr. Randy Rubin randy@imarubin.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1388812C

Dear Mr. Rubin:

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From:	Randy Rubin < randy@imarubin.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, February 1, 2022 4:07 PM

To: Ellen Plendl

Subject: Re: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Thank you for your response. As always looking through the hundreds of correspondence where people are urging the commission to rethink raising the rates they brushed us aside and awarded the increase to an already profitable corporation. This only hurts Floridians as we are now seeing. No one can afford these steep increases.

Thanks for screwing the consumers.

—Randy

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Governor's Office of Citizen Services <EOGCitizenServices@eog.myflorida.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 4:09 PM

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From: Linda Hall <ricknlin1@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 3:00 PM
To: GovernorRon.DeSantis@eog.myflorida.com

Subject: FPL Florida Power & Light

Governor Desantis Sir,

First I'd like to say I completely support all your doing for our state and I will continue to I am sure.

I suspect you are aware that Gulf power was replaced here in Pensacola and bought out by FPL a much larger power company. With this occurring it is expected that prices may change maybe up or down a bit but with a larger corporation it would not be expected that power bills would double causing the strain that it is on us the consumer.

Logically if gulf power using its local generation stations provides it a x amount then a larger corporation takes over and nothing changes using the same exact power supplying stations and equipment the price should stay relatively close.

This is NOT the case as can be seen on any social media platforms and can be proven by seeing actual bills from consumers. I do not know a single person here in Pensacola that has not seen ridiculous increases in their bills with no explanation or reasoning being given by FPL representative other than pay it or we will cut you off. When you see your bill double even in lower use months you have to wonder where is this broken and why is this corporation allowed to gouge the public with the approval of government as franchises are approved by the differing levels within the state governments.

There is a serious problem here possibly even criminal and a lot of rumors and such like kickbacks, corporate greed to the point of purposely (as they have done before supposedly) incorrect billing being done to increase their bottom line.

I can only ask you to look into this to determine for yourself if your constituents are being gouged and ripped off as for those of us that are seniors on a set income that own our own home we are having an even harder time making ends meet within our budgets with these outrageous power bills.

Thanks in advance

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Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Florida Power & Light Company

Ms. Linda Hall ricknlin1@cox.net

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1388861C

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