## **Antonia Hover**

From: Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 4:06 PM

To: 'ConnieGaskill@yahoo.com'

**Cc:** Consumer Contact

**Subject:** RE: Docket No. 20220001-EI: Reject the new electric rate hikes!

Good Afternoon, Connie Mellquist.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket Number 20220001, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

## Thank you!

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From: Connie Gaskill Mellquist <info@email.actionnetwork.org>

**Sent:** Friday, September 16, 2022 3:42 PM **To:** Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

Subject: Docket No. 20220001-EI: Reject the new electric rate hikes!

Florida Public Service Commission Clerk.

Docket No. 20220001-EI

I am writing as a concerned Florida resident and a electricity customer. I received notification that FPL, Duke and Tampa Electric intend to increase rates for customers like me. I am urging you to reject these proposals and not increase our bills.

This past year has been extremely challenging financially for many people in the state of Florida. A rate increase is the last thing we need, especially for vulnerable folks who may be on a fixed income or struggling to recover financially from the pandemic. We are all inundated with price increases on everything.

I urge you to reject these rate increases at this time.

How many rate increases are you going to approve? When is enough enough? When will you stand up for your own mission of setting fair rates?

And why would you continue to want to raise rates on people who are already overextended due to Covid shutdowns and health complications as a result of taking the vaccine?

I would hope there is nothing in it for you.

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