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From: Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 3:21 PM

To: 'pmanjoh@gmail.com'
Cc: Consumer Contact

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

Good Afternoon, Paula Johnson.

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: Paula Johnson <info@email.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 3:18 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. FPL's parent company has made record profits in 2021. One of Public Service Commission's Goals for Economic Regulation is "Provide a regulatory process that results in fair and reasonable rates while offering rate base regulated utilities an

opportunity to earn a fair return on their investments." A \$3.5 Billion profit sounds more than fair for Nextera. A 7.9% increase in rates is gouging the public.

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?

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