## **Antonia Hover**

From:Antonia HoveSent:Monday, SepTo:'Lenore HamiCc:Consumer CoSubject:RE: Duke Eng

Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk Monday, September 19, 2022 2:28 PM 'Lenore Hammack' Consumer Contact RE: Duke Engery and it's outrageous rates

Good Afternoon, Lenore Hammack.

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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Commission Deputy Clerk I Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399 Phone: (850) 413-6467

From: Lenore Hammack <vixican3@aol.com> Sent: Monday, September 19, 2022 2:23 PM To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US> Subject: Duke Engery and it's outrageous rates

Hello,

Docket No. 20220001-EI

We are customers of Duke Energy Florida. We understand that the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) is considering a request by Duke Energy Florida to increase its rate for 2023 due to "volatile" fluctuations of natural gas prices.

Duke's electricity rate per KWH is currently 29% higher than FP&L (see below) and Duke is now asking for another 15% for 2023, the highest increase of the three monopoly power companies seeking a rate increase. Duke already charges more per KWH than the other two, large investor-owned electric utility companies in Florida (source: Sept. 2022 issue of Florida Trend Magazine):

Duke Energy - \$201.32/1,500 KWH FP&L - \$156.81/1,500 KWH Tampa Electric - \$175.17/1,500 KWH

Non-investor owned near me: OUC - \$169.25/1,500 KWH Kissimmee - \$173.59/1,500 KWH

The FPSC Commissioners need to be asking, "How can Duke Energy justify asking for even more money from their captive customers when they already charge the highest rate compared to all the other major electricity

utilities in Florida?" Rather, the Commissioners should tell this public monopoly utility to look harder for cost savings and new efficiencies, and reduce their profit margin rather than asking for even more money from their captive customers.

We strongly urge the FPSC Commissiones to reject this rate increase request.

Thank you!

Sincerely, Charles and Lenore Hammack 3858 Biscayne Drive Winter Springs, Florida 32708

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From:	Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent:	Monday, September 19, 2022 2:31 PM
То:	'ift727@gmail.com'
Cc:	Consumer Contact
Subject:	RE: Docket No. 20220001-EI: Reject the new electric rate hikes!

Good Afternoon, Irma Sanchez.

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: Irma Sánchez i <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, September 19, 2022 2:29 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 an electricity customer in Florida. I received notification that you will soon be considering proposals from FPL, Duke and Tampa Electric to increase my electricity rates next year.

This is outrageous. These companies have made windfall profits over the last few years, and yet each time they go crying to you, you have approved their rate increases. No amount is too high, apparently. When will you stand up for your own mission of setting fair rates for consumers in Florida?

Another electricity 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.

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