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From: Janet Brunson

Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 10:13 AM

To: 'khg153@gmail.com' **Cc:** Consumer Correspondence

Subject: FPL Rate Increase - Docket No. 160021-EI

Dear Mr. Gerdes:

Thank you for contacting the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) about Florida Power & Light Company's (FPL) rate petition. To give Commissioners and staff an opportunity to review your comments, your correspondence is included in the file for Docket No.160021-EI.

As you know, the PSC customer service hearings were held in June in FPL's service territory for Commissioners to hear directly from customers about the utility's rate request and service. All customer comments during the hearings and all correspondence will be reviewed and considered when PSC staff prepares its recommendation to the Commissioners on FPL's proposed rates.

The PSC's evidentiary hearing on FPL's rate case will be in August in Tallahassee. Witnesses from the utility, intervenors, Commission staff, and the Public Counsel, who represents customers, will present testimony and exhibits and be cross-examined by the Commissioners and other parties. Commissioners will examine FPL's need for a rate increase, its existing and proposed rate structure, and its ability to provide safe and reliable service.

Commissioners are charged with making sure that Florida's utility companies fulfill their service obligation. The PSC will ensure that final customer rates reflect only those costs that are prudent and necessary for FPL to deliver quality electric service to your home or business. Any proposed rate adjustment is requested to begin in January 2017.

If you have additional questions or need further assistance, please call 1-800-342-3552. If you want updated case information, visit the PSC's website, www.floridapsc.com and click on the Clerk's Office tab, then hit Dockets and type in case number 160021.

Sincerely,

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Phone: 850-413-6107

From: karl gerdes [mailto:khg153@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 10:29 AM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: FPL RATE HIKES. Reference docket 160021-EI

To Whom It May Concern:

This is in regards to FPL rate hikes request. We, the consumers are just a prey for companies like FPL who has no outside competition. What are we to do if we can't get the electricity to our house. I am a believer in Solar Power, and I do not understand why the Florida PSC does not support alternative energy solution, as oppose to giving the breaks to again a monopoly like FPL to build solar plant.

Why not give us the consumers enough incentive to install solar panel in our home in conjunction with FPL. We do not have any choice in the matter except to let you, the commissioners know that we can not afford rate hikes along with no other alternatives for getting the energy we need for consumption.

Hope that rate Hike request is declined for the benefits of the people, especially that they are cutting more jobs. (see below from Palm Beach post)

Florida Power & Light Co. officials confirmed today that layoffs announced in April began this week. It's not known when the process will be completed, but it is expected to take at least several days.

There you have it, more job loss. Who are FPL Shareholders?

Thank you for what you do,

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