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**From:** Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2019 1:15 PM  
**To:** 'clawrence@ulbcfl.org'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** FW: Docket 20190015 -- Commission review of numeric conservation goals for Florida Power & Light Company  
**Attachments:** Florida Public Service Commission.pdf

Good Afternoon, Ms. Lawrence.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket Number 20190015, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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**From:** Colette Lawrence [<mailto:clawrence@ulbcfl.org>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2019 9:51 AM  
**To:** Records Clerk  
**Cc:** Germaine Smith-Baugh  
**Subject:** Docket 20190015 -- Commission review of numeric conservation goals for Florida Power & Light Company

Dear Mr. Teitzman,

See attached letter sent on behalf of Dr. Germaine Smith Baugh.

**Best Regards,**

**Colette Lawrence**

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July 22, 2019

Mr. Adam Teitzman  
Office of Commission Clerk  
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2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: **Docket 20190015-EG**

Dear Mr. Teitzman,

Most recently, the Urban League of Broward County, along with a few other local organizations addressed our County Commission as they considered a recommendation that we believed would be harmful to low income residents and those on fixed income. In considering the proposed language in a few sections of the recommendation, I requested advice from the National Urban League's partner on energy issues and received guidance on the matter.

This letter serves to provide a similar viewpoint to the Commission. The Urban League's mission is to promote economic and social equality. To that end, the proposed language, which would increase the conservation savings ratings could put upward pressure on rates for all customers, including low and moderate income customers. Broward County is one of the most cost-burdened geographies in the United States for housing with wages not keeping pace with living costs; therefore, any increases that may impact living expenses once again creates a burden.

Another concern is that most times conservation initiatives do not positively impact the economic status of renters. With the affordable housing crisis in Broward County, renters dominate the market. Most beneficiaries of efficiency programs own their home or condo. Low and moderate income people who rent will not be able to take advantage of these programs, unless these programs are targeted toward appliances they purchase for their residences. In essence, most efficiency programs benefit homeowners and landlords versus renters who are predominantly low-income.

FPL's philosophy is to support efficiency goals that are fair and cost effective and the Urban League believes that the Public Service Commission operates under a similar philosophy. Thank you in advance for considering the points of view of the Urban League and consumers that we serve in Broward County.

Sincerely,

Germaine Smith Baugh  
President and CEO

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