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**From:** Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 7, 2021 5:35 PM  
**To:** 'Jose Agosto'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Tell the PSC Why They Need to Keep Your Power Bill Low

Good Afternoon, Mr. Agosto.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20210015, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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**From:** agosto1370@gmail.com@mg.gospringboard.io <agosto1370@gmail.com@mg.gospringboard.io> **On Behalf Of** Jose Agosto  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 4, 2021 12:39 PM  
**To:** Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
**Subject:** Tell the PSC Why They Need to Keep Your Power Bill Low

Dear Commissioner

To Florida PCS Board:

Once more we see the consumer not being represented and FPL making adjustment in in a way that is unclear they have the consumers concerns, and this includes PSC. It is clear as indicated by those have the consumer back plus PSC overlooking fair representation: Rates can and should be lowered, not increased.

- The annual increase for storm hardening: On Aug. 3, the PSC approved a \$233 million storm hardening surcharge (rate increase) for FPL. In 2020 and 2021 these costs were removed from the base rates and transitioned to the Storm Protection Plan Cost Recovery Clause (SPPCRC) that is now an annual reoccurring increase. WHY? WHY?
- These additions would not account for any increases also approved for storm recovery, rising fuel costs or grid maintenance that regulators routinely allow.
- FPL continues to be the only major utility with no absolute carbon emissions reduction goals, instead committing only to a reduction of carbon “intensity.” Ironically, NextEra (FPL’s parent) invests in clean energy projects around the country.
- If the PSC agrees with the settlement, it will allow FPL to avoid going on the record with answers to questions about its clean energy goals and its commitment to keeping its rates affordable.

While Florida’s per kwh rate may be competitive, it has among the highest average

residential electric bills. Florida also saw among the largest increases in bills (20%) according to a report issued July 2021.

The settlement includes investments in solar and electric vehicle infrastructure. Such subsidies are not needed as EV chargers can be installed by competitive providers.

The settlement includes investments in solar energy. We all supports solar energy but questions the need for a new solar base rate adjustment mechanism.

Bottom line is as I indicated on a previous email to my representative, it is time to shift resources from FPL profit's to consumers. The PSC have a responsibility to Florida, therefore, strongly recommend a reduction of Florida electric bill to consumers.

Respectfully

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Thank you,

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