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## **Antonia Hover**

From: Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 8:01 AM

To: Commissioner Correspondence

Subject: FW: FP&L Base Rate Increase

Good morning,

Please place the attached email in Docket No. 20210015.

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Sent: Friday, June 17, 2022 3:27 PM

**To:** Office of Commissioner La Rosa <Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Graham <Commissioner.Graham@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; Office of Chairman Fay <Commissioner.Fay@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Clark <Commissioner.Clark@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Passidomo

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**Subject:** FP&L Base Rate Increase

The Florida Utility commission, which you are a part of recently approved an increase from \$8.99 to \$25 as a base fee on top of the previous \$17 dollar rate increase over the next five years for power generated by FP&L.

My problem is that the sole reason I opted to go solar was to avoid the rising cost from you approving FPL rate hikes. Per the FPL news release October 26, 2021 this increase directly supports the largest solar buildout in the United States, including 16 million solar panels across more than 50 new sites

http://newsroom.fpl.com/2021-10-26-PSC-unanimously-approves-FPLs-four-year-rate-settlement-agreement,-keeping-bills-low-and-accelerating-U-S-s-largest-solar-buildout.

You are allowing FP&L to charge Floridians so they can build solar farms to mitigate their rising costs. Every time you approve a base rate increase you are penalizing me and other solar farms for wanting to mitigate electrical costs. Net-metering is fare for both FP&L and the solar user. It is not like FP&L sends me a check each month. My unused power is banked during lower power months so I can offset the higher costs during higher power months. Continuing to Increase the base rate every time FP&L whines eliminates the power offset gained during lower power months all the while FP&L will have the all the incentive to continue building their solar farms on the backs of taxpayers. There is no win win in this scenario! FP&L is the only winner!

At what point are you going to start making better decisions for the Floridians you serve?

Thanks, Donald Powell

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