## **Collin Roehner**

Janet Brunson
Wednesday, July 20, 2016 11:37 AM
'brownbear821515@aol.com'
Consumer Correspondence
FPL Rate Increase - Docket No. 160021-EI

Dear Mr. Ramcharitar:

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, <u>www.floridapsc.com</u> and click on the Clerk's Office tab, then hit Dockets and type in case number 160021.

Sincerely,

Bev DeMello Assistant Director Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach Phone: 850-413-6107

From: Collin Roehner On Behalf Of Records Clerk Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 11:40 AM To: 'lan' Subject: RE: FPL rate increase Good morning Mr. Ramcharitar,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 160021-EI and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

Collin D. Roehner Commission Deputy Clerk I Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida, 32301 (850) 413-7123

From: Ian [mailto:brownbear821515@aol.com] Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 11:38 AM To: Records Clerk Subject: FPL rate increase

*lan Ramcharitar.* 2905 s/e Pier street. Port St Lucie. Fl. 34984.

I am the home owner at this address and I`m AGAINST FPL request for a rate hike.

Presently I'm retired and existing on Social Security Disability. I'm sure any reasonably informed person(s) with a knowledge of what Social Security would pay out to a former Utility worker , himself and who had to retire prematurely on failed kidneys. Who still had to maintain a relatively young family and still manage my medications, dialysis and countless other obstacles in trying to stay alive and continue to remain as best as can and still try be reasonably "healthy". I would be severely challenged if I had any kind of impact to my present financial situation.

As someone with greater knowledge of the planned Rate hike and the direction it is actually going, if successful, alluded to me. I thank that person for bringing these latest developments at FPL to me.

Below I quote this person Miguel Soliman.

I would allow my response to be used for the same reason ONLY.

*IanRamcharitar. FPL customer.Port St Lucie.* 

" - Miguel Soliman, Miami FPL Customer

"They're asking for money to resolve – to get more profit for people that are out – for their shareholders that are out of state. Now we have seniors that cannot afford to buy their medication, and now with this rate increase and everything else, as everyone has spoken about, that will – it's not only a 23 percent, everything that comes with it that they're going to have to pay for, they may have to – they may have to serve – they may have to not eat to be able to pay for their bills." – Miguel Soliman, Miami FPL Customer. "