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From: Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk

Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 3:08 PM **To:** 'strongtech@earthlink.net'

Cc: Consumer Contact

Subject: RE: Docket No. 20200181; Modernize Florida's outdated efficiency practices

Good Afternoon, Mr. Robert.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200181, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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From: strongtech@everyactioncustom.com <strongtech@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 2:34 PM

To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

Subject: Docket No. 20200181; Modernize Florida's outdated efficiency practices

Dear Florida PSC Commissioners,

We all know that energy efficiency means using energy smarter and reducing the draw on our resources. It is the quickest, smartest, cleanest, and cheapest way to meet our energy needs while helping Floridians cut energy waste and manage power bills. Helping hard-working families make their homes more efficient, safer, and secure also keeps energy dollars in local communities. Energy companies will still get handsome profits even if we increase energy efficiency in Florida, so there are no losers when improving energy efficiency.

Yet the practices you rely upon in setting goals for the state's largest utilities haven't been modernized in almost 30 years – and that has led to Florida's largest power companies badly trailing leading utilities in the Southeast and across the nation in delivering energy savings to families and businesses. Most recently, this outdated approach led to power companies proposing goals of zero. We can and should do better.

As you set out to revisit the energy efficiency goal setting rules, please update the economic screening practices so they no longer penalize efficiency measures that meaningfully reduce energy waste for homes or businesses. Isn't the whole idea of an efficiency program, to reduce energy use to meet demand and help customers lower power bills, or are we missing something?

It's time to use the rulemaking process to modernize your decades-old practices and consider ways to get utilities to do more on efficiency, in particular for low-income customers. The rule is outdated, we must get it right. We're counting on you to do what is right. Are you up for the task?

Sincerely, Brett Robert Coral Springs, FL 33071 strongtech@earthlink.net