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From: Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith

Sent: Friday, August 22, 2025 3:44 PM **To:** Commissioner Correspondence

Subject: Docket No. 20250011

Attachments: Docket No. 20250011 - Please Reject FPL's Rate Hike; Reject FPL's Unprecedented \$10

Billion Rate Hike - Protect Florida Families

Please place the attached in Docket No. 20250011.

Thank you!

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Sent: Friday, August 22, 2025 11:07 AM

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Subject: Docket No. 20250011 - Please Reject FPL's Rate Hike

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Dear Commissioner Gabriella Passidomo,

Adam Teitzman, Commission Clerk
Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No.20250011 -EI

Petition by Florida Power & Light Company for Base Rate Increase

I'm writing to urge you to reject Florida Power & Light Company's proposed rate increase (Docket No. 20250011).

FPL is requesting nearly \$10 billion in new charges over the next four years — costs that will fall on the backs of the very people who rely on FPL to keep the lights on. Half of every dollar in this proposal would go straight to shareholder profits, not essential services. That's unacceptable.

In the last five years alone, FPL customers have seen their bills jump by more than \$400 a year. This latest plan would add another \$360 in just two years – all while Floridians are still recovering from devastating storms and battling the rising cost of living.

FPL claims the hike is needed to meet demand, but the Office of Public Counsel has made it clear that this is misleading. According to OPC, FPL's numbers are inflated — and rather than raise rates, the company should actually cut them by \$620.5 million in 2026.

Sincerely, Ms. Karen Rahman 15 Littleton Rd Harvard, MA 01451-1461 karen.rahman27@gmail.com

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From: tarik@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Tarik Woodbine

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Subject: Reject FPL's Unprecedented \$10 Billion Rate Hike – Protect Florida Families

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Dear Florida Public Service Commission Gabriella Smith,

I am writing to strongly urge you to reject Florida Power and Light's (FPL) proposed \$10 billion rate hike—the largest in U.S. history. Approving this increase would be a devastating blow to Florida families, many of whom are already struggling with rising living costs. This past year, this Commission has already failed residents by allowing TECO's rate hikes, and we cannot afford another reckless decision that prioritizes corporate profits over public well-being. Electricity is not a luxury—it is a life-saving necessity in Florida. With extreme heat, hurricanes, and severe weather events, access to affordable power is essential for survival. A rate increase of this magnitude would force seniors, low-income families, and working-class residents to choose between paying their electric bills and affording food, rent, or medical care. No one should have to make such impossible choices just to keep the lights on.

Beyond the financial hardship, this increase also carries serious environmental consequences. Instead of investing in clean, affordable renewable energy, FPL continues to expand its reliance on fossil fuels, worsening extreme weather patterns and increasing pollution. These impacts disproportionately harm low-income communities and communities of color, who already experience higher energy burdens and environmental health risks. If FPL truly needed more funding, it should focus on sustainable energy solutions, not passing costs onto struggling residents.

The Florida Public Service Commission has a responsibility to serve the public, not corporate monopolies. FPL is a monopoly, meaning Floridians have no choice but to pay whatever rates are approved. If this rate hike is allowed, it will set a dangerous precedent, opening the door for further unchecked increases that will push even more families into a financial crisis.

I urge you to reject this historic \$10 billion rate hike and stand with the people of Florida. The residents of this state deserve fair and affordable electricity—not price gouging from utility giants.

Sincerely,

Mr. Tarik Woodbine

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