

Bringing more American-made energy to our state

It started with a simple idea. Start each day challenging ourselves to change things for the better. We're doing that by looking for new ways to cut costly foreign oil dependency and increase our use of cheaper "Made in America" natural gas. A big part of the answer is a new, modern natural gas pipeline that would bring more of this affordable, cleaner, U.S. energy into our state. It would also help to secure a stable supply of this valuable resource for Florida for years to come.

Using natural gas to produce electricity at our newer, more efficient power plants is making us more energy independent than ever before. In fact, we've already reduced our use of foreign oil by 98 percent. It's also one way we're keeping your electric bill the lowest in the state.

Visit **www.FPL.com/ChangingTheCurrent** to learn more about how we're changing Florida's energy today to create a better tomorrow for all of us.

New power plant increases energy independence



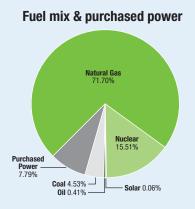
We're another step closer to making foreign oil a foreign concept. This month, our new Cape Canaveral Next Generation Clean Energy Center starts serving customers. The plant will help us be more energy independent than ever before because it generates electricity using cleaner, more affordable American-made natural gas.

We're always working to keep your electric bill the lowest in the state. One of the ways we're doing that is by tearing down older, inefficient plants and building newer ones, like Cape Canaveral. It's 90 percent cleaner and 33 percent more efficient than the one it replaced, which means it will run using less fuel. You'll directly benefit from

this fuel savings as it will help offset a base rate change that goes into effect when the plant begins operating – part of a four-year rate agreement approved last year. You'll pay about 16 cents more per month, or a half a penny a day, starting this month. We can help you calculate your bill change at **www.FPL.com/answers**.

Making smart fuel choices

We know you want electricity you can count on at a low price. That's why we're using cleaner, more affordable fuel sources to power your home.



Sources of electricity generation for the 12 months that ended on Feb. 28, 2013.



Evacuation help for those with special needs

If you have special needs, your local government can help you if you ever have to evacuate due to extreme weather or other emergencies. To ensure your safety, make sure to register with your local emergency management office. You can reach the office directly by checking your phone directory under "county government" for the number or call 2-1-1 for further assistance in your area.

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Protect yourself from phone scammers

We occasionally hear reports of people posing as FPL employees over the phone. These scammers could try to steal your personal information or money. We want to help you protect yourself. Follow these simple tips if you ever receive a call that seems suspicious:

- » Hang up and call us at the phone number listed at the bottom of your FPL bill.
- » Don't trust your caller ID.
- » Don't supply personal information. FPL does not ask for personal information unless you initiated the contact.
- » Know if your account is in good standing so you can quickly determine whether or not the call is a scam.

It's important to us that you're armed with information. Visit **www.FPL.com/FPLprotect** for more helpful tips.

Did you know?

We have a program that helps people in crisis pay their bill. It's called Care To Share and it's funded by shareholders, employees and caring customers. Together, we've helped more than 71,000 families keep their lights on when they've needed help the most. Visit **www.FPL.com/caretoshare** to learn more.



Ask the Energy Expert

To submit a question on any energy-related topic or to comment on this one, please visit www.FPL.com/ asktheexpert.

Do electric vehicles cost more or less than regular cars?

– Gerardo C., Miami Beach

Just like gas-powered cars, electric vehicles come in all price ranges. Currently, they start in the \$20,000s, with prices rising to the low \$100,000s. However, when you think about buying an electric vehicle, the upfront purchase price isn't the only thing you should consider.

Owning an electric vehicle can be cheaper than owning a regular car in the long run. That's because it's far less expensive to "fill up" with electricity than with gas. You can charge an electric vehicle for about 80 percent less than what you spend at the pump. It's like paying 77 cents per gallon. Imagine that!

It's also more affordable to charge an electric vehicle here because FPL's rates are 26 percent below the national average. This, combined with savings on maintenance and repairs, can add up to thousands of dollars back in your pocket over the life of the car.

Visit www.FPLblog.com/ EVcosts to learn more.



Changing the current way you track your energy

Everyone likes to save energy, especially if it means saving money. About 4.5 million of you now have a smart meter on your home that may help you do that! When the meter is activated, you have access to an energy dashboard, which allows you to check your energy usage and find new ways to save money. This helpful tool is automatically activated a few months after your smart meter is installed.

Just visit your account online at **www.FPL.com** and click on "Billing and Usage History" to see your dashboard, or call the number on your bill to access the information over the phone. This is just one of the ways we're changing Florida's energy today to create a better tomorrow for all of us.

Make your paper bill disappear

Say goodbye to paper bills and make your life easier. Try FPL E-Mail Bill[®]: www.FPL.com/paperfree



Keep your bill low when the heat rises

We can help you save energy and money during the upcoming hot, summer months. That's when your air conditioner works harder and longer to keep your home comfortable, even if you never change your thermostat setting. Here are two ways to keep your bill under control:

Use your energy dashboard. Those with an activated smart meter can track usage by the hour, day or week.

- » Log in to your account at www.FPL.com and click on "Billing and Usage History." You may also call the number on your FPL bill.
- » View your hourly, daily and monthly power usage.
- » See a projection of your next bill.
- » Compare your usage to the outside temperature to see how it impacts your bill.
- Take action at home to conserve energy and start saving money immediately.

2 Take our Online Home Energy Survey. Visit www.FPL.com/OHES for a personalized energy-savings plan.



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