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Dr. Alan R. Schriber
Chairman
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Case # 07-0171-EL-BTX

Dear Chairman Schriber:

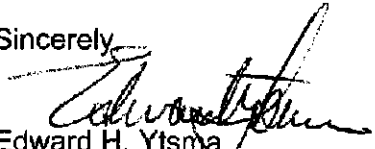
Sajar Plastics, Inc. is a manufacturer of plastic injection molded products which has operated in Middlefield, Ohio since its founding in 1949. We currently employ over 110 people with an annual payroll of \$4.5 million dollars. I am writing to urge support for the new transmission line that FirstEnergy is proposing to build in Geauga County.

We use about 6.5 million Kwh annually, at a cost of \$600,000 per year. We know that relocating to areas such as Tennessee or Kentucky would cut this cost significantly. But we are a local company, with local roots, committed to being here. This is our home, and we're willing to work hard to overcome the cost differential that comes with staying here.

However, we need those 6.5 million Kwh to be there when our machines require them. Reliable energy is critical to our process. When power goes down, or voltage fluctuates due to the present lack of adequate transmission capacity, the few minutes without power require hours of recovery effort as well as replacement of wasted materials. We can use our ingenuity to manage our electricity cost differential, but there is little we can do to effectively reduce the cost impact of random outages, fluctuations and brownouts. If electricity demand continues to grow without adequate transmission capacity, the reliability issues will increase. Eventually our survival will dictate some difficult choices, with outcomes that are negative for Middlefield and Geauga County.

Therefore, we ask you to carefully consider the impact that failure to address the transmission capacity issue will ultimately have on Geauga County, and urge you to support the speedy approval of this project.

Sincerely,


Edward H. Ytsma
CFO

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