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To Whom It May Concern:

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When it was first broadcast about 2 months ago, regarding the AEP increase of 15% over the next three years, I called and was assured by a male customer service representative, "That I was misinterpreting the statement, and that it means only a onetime 15 % increase for three years, not a 45% increase", as is now being reported.

There are so many shams and scams going on in our daily living as though it is, "What is being taught, morally and ethically", "That people expect it", "Everyone does it". Day after day such atrocities are reported in the news, and everyone is too busy with their own lives to take the time to CARE and to say, "Wait a minute". I am different and proud of it, and I don't want to be embarrassed, so I try to sit back and just let it happen; Because no one wants to be informed anymore. I figured out some time ago, however, that the news media, in any format, is nothing more than a way for government to use "For Conditioning the People", to suit their own needs; budgets, endeavors, legacies. I have tried in the past contacting Governor Strickland, Mayor Coleman, and Joe Testa, all regarding other issues, but that do not fit into the "AGENDA" of those in charge. Other examples: The excessive taxing of the disabled and retired individuals on set incomes whom are also not able to get out and acquire a second income; or, When a flyer was sent out saying recyclables "Did not need to be sorted", that if anyone truly cares about our earth, ( if you think about it), "THAT" is exactly what is in our green trash barrels, and with a little "LEARNED EFFORT", people could learn "TO CLEAN OUT ALL CONTAINERS", etc. and that "Trash" could then be put into white bags, to be picked up by a "PRIOR" separate truck and person, no interest, no response; and that , While very big to report, "Our real estate taxes will not be increased and so we should be relieved" , WHEN IN FACT REAL ESTATE VALUES WERE LOCALLY REPORTED TO BE DOWN IN CENTRAL OHIO BY 14.2%, AND THEREFORE SHOULD BE SEEN ON OUR TAX BILLS. However, many whom don't pay their utilities, or mortgages, or credit cards, care not what is done to, "WE THE PEOPLE".

Therefore, it does not take a smart person, but rather, one who cares, to live and do right. Regarding the electric increase(s): If you figure the increase on a bill that is \$100. a month, = \$15., going to \$115. Second year, 15% of \$115. = \$17.25, going to \$132.25. Third year, 15% of \$132.25 = \$19.83, going to \$152.08 PER MONTH. 15. + 17.25 + 19.83 totals 52.08. (THAT IS A 52.08% INCREASE) , over a three year period, NOT JUST A 45% increase. That takes a yearly electric bill from \$1200.00 to \$1,824.96.

Isn't it time that we all slow down and examine what we are "ALLOWING" to happen to this great country that once called upon God for guidance and to stop filling the pockets of those in charge, while America is falling, and "Maybe falling into the wrong hands"? The pocketfuls of money will mean nothing to them, then. I am a 66 year old retired nurse and I would really like to know how "Any One or Business" can report such "WRONG INFORMATION, (Conditioning), and not be held accountable? Now, McCain wants to make health insurance "COST PROHIBITIVE" with a TAX CREDIT, not refund of money, and Barrack, CAN NOT GIVE MORE CUTS, than he will tax. Are we all really so ignorant (uninformed)?

Sincerely,

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Isn't it time people  
are given the "true" facts  
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