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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Attn: Docketing Division Case #08-935-EL-SSO 180 E. Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Rate Increase for Ohio

To Whom It May Concern:

It is extremely expensive to live in Ohio when jobs are leaving, you get no wage increase and everything else is going up. Ohio is one of the top in the nation as far as utilities are concerned. Ohio is among a few leading the nation when it comes to the national gasoline average!

What I can't figure out is why Toledo has one of the highest electric utility rates in Ohio and the U.S. and yet we have Davis-Besse. I thought for sure we would have lower electric rates in our region! What about all of the profits that FirstEnergy has had during the past five years. We're talking billions of dollars! FirstEnergy is making HUGE profits but yet they want a rate increase! It's no wonder that the U.S. is in a downward spiral – because of corporate greed! You can see that with the automotive companies. They say they're in dire straits because they aren't making money. They're making money – they're just not making their "projected" income.

My husband and I built a total electric home because we believed we were doing the right thing. No gas, no propane, no geothermal, no solar. I was extremely disappointed when I called FirstEnergy for them to turn on the service at our meter, I did not qualify for the total home discount because I did not have the permanent power hooked up by December 2006. That's a bunch of crap! Now they want a rate increase.

I-think it's time to turn off the electric and say SCREW YOU FIRSTENERGY!

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