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To whom it may concern:

My wife and I attended the Public Hearing in Marietta, on Oct. 14th, 2008, concerning the "American Electric Power Electric Security Plan", i.e., rate increase. I signed up to speak but we had to leave about halfway through the session due to a family emergency, so would like to express my views and opinion concerning this case.

I have our last years monthly bills from Allegheny Power and never paid over 6.5¢ per KWH used, which was calculated by dividing, total current billing charges, by the total KWH used.

I have all of my AEP bills, and using the same formula as above here is the charges per KWH used by month, starting 2/6/06.
6¢, 6¢, 7¢, 8¢, 9¢, 9¢, 9.5¢, 9.5¢, 9¢, 8¢, 7¢, 6¢, 6¢,
6¢, 7¢, 8¢, 10¢, 10¢, 10¢, 10¢, 8¢, 9¢, 7¢, 6¢, 7¢, 7¢, 8¢,
9¢, 10.5¢, 9¢, 10.5¢, 10.7¢, 10¢.

Everyone in our area was perfectly satisfied with Allegheny Power as our provider, so did they ever request a rate increase, before or during the transition period, and were denied, and if so, why were they denied?

Before my wife and I had to leave the hearing there were several real heart wrenching testimonies given and they paralleled my wife and I situation very closely, along with many friends & neighbors.

I was caught in a down sizing in Feb. 1999, with almost 30 years services, and

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at age "55", all of our plans and dreams down the drain, as all of our plans were made for age "60" or later. In the almost 10 years since retiring I have received no adjustment to my retirement salary, only continuous adjustments upward every year to my medical insurance premium, which for my wife and I in 2009 will cost \$264.00 per month, compared to \$186.00 for 2008, even tho I will be starting Medicare, which will be the primary payer for me.

I would suggest, if legally possible, that someone take a look at the AEP "Summary Annual Benefit Plan Reports" when you will find, as near as I can tell, millions and even in some cases billions of dollars in assets in one or more plans!!!

I thank you for your kind attention and hopefully you can have some success with getting some relief for all of the people in this corporate giants service area.

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