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Alan R. Schriber, Chairman Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 E. Broad St. Columbus, OH 43215 DEC 2008

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Dear Chairman Schriber,

Enclosed please find an e-mail from my constituent, Kevin Ellis of Louisville, Ohio, regarding AEP's proposed rate increase. Any information and assistance that you may be able to provide would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for taking the time to look into this matter. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely ølslager Kepresentative se District 51 SO/plg Enclosure

cc: Kevin R. Ellis

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Hi Again Brian Vogt,

I would imagine that the OCC is well aware of this 11/10/08 "PUCO STAFF RECOMMENDATION" but those of us sitting in the bleachers most definitely are not impressed!! WE NEED A HOME RUN or A TOUCHDOWN!!

Shares of General Motors selling at less than THREE DOLLARS and PUCO thinks that a 29% AEP increase is FAIR?? GIVE ME A BREAK!!

Kevin R. Ellis Louisville OH 330-875-0676

From: <u>Kevin Ellis</u> Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2008 9:26 AM To: <u>Bill Daugherty</u> ; <u>Louisville OH (Tom Ault)</u> ; <u>Louisville OH (Peggy Howald)</u> ; <u>Stark Comm-Jane Vignos</u> ; <u>Stark Comm-Tom Harmon</u> Cc: <u>CAN REP Dave Sereno</u> Subject: AEP 52.1 INCREASE REDUCED TO 29%? RIGHT DIRECTION - BUT A LONG WAY STILL TO GO!!

Good Morning AEP/OHIO POWER Fans,

The following article regarding AEP's Rate Increase Request appeared in today's Akron Beacon Journal,

AKRON BEACON JOURNAL: Daily Backgrounder (11/12/08)

PUCO recommends lower AEP increases

American Electric Power's proposed rate increase would be slashed under recommendations issued Monday by the staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

The report, which requires action by the commission, rebuffs AEP's request to raise rates by 15 percent in each of the next three years.

Instead, the staff proposes much smaller cumulative increases for AEP's two Ohio operating companies. Under the staff plan, Columbus Southern Power would raise rates by 11 percent in 2009, 2 percent in 2010 and 1 percent in 2011. Ohio Power would raise rates by 24 percent in 2009, 2 percent in 2010 and 2 percent in 2011.

By our calculations this change would <u>reduce</u> the compounded THREE YEAR TOTAL. INCREASE to 29.0% from the originally proposed 52.1%. While admittedly it's a positive change, it's still a long, LONG way from the projected COL increase for the same period.

A copy of this email is being sent to the Canton Repository should they wish to include the story in some future edition of that paper with possibly more details.

Warm Regards to All

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