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Dear PUCO Commissioners,

Like our parents, David and Tamar, we would like to formally state our objection to the current request by American Electric Power to increase rates by 15% over the next 3 years. We feel that this is excessive (bills would actually rise 52% when comparing from the beginning to the end of the rate hike) and inappropriate at this time. AEP has failed to show the relevant need for such an extreme increase. We understand energy expenses have increased, but what percentage has AEP's costs risen?

We hope you will take our objection into account when deciding this matter and limit the rate increase you approve.

Sincerely,

VIVIAN & STEPHANIE Chute

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