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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Attention: Docketing Division 180 E. Broad St. Columbus, OH 43215

RE: Case No. 08-0709-EL-AIR

Ladies & Gentlemen:

Once again Duke Energy is asking for the PUCO to approve raising our electric rates. We think this rate is rather high and maybe not even needed. They want to raise the rate from \$54.2 million to \$62.3 million which would add \$3.82 to the monthly bill. We and many other people in the Cincinnati area are on fixed incomes and would surely cause a hardship to all of us. The Ohio Consumers' Council says they should receive no more than \$39 million.

We would also like to ask you to schedule some hearings in the future in the western part of Hamilton County namely, Delhi Township, Green Township, Colerain Township and the townships further west of the named townships as we would like to voice our opinions too. In the past the hearings have all been on the eastern side of Hamilton County and in downtown Cincinnati.

Sincerely,

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