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Dear Senator Grendell:

Please include our names in the Class Action Law Suite that is to be filed again First Energy/The Illuminating Company. We live in Meadowood, a Bob Schmidt Development, located in Strongsville, Ohio. We purchased our new cluster home 15 years ago when we retired. The power rate was guaranteed at the time of purchase. The home has an R-30 rating for the ceiling and R-20 in the walls as well as double pane windows. This is an all electric home, our rate is now 70% higher than it has been over the last 15 years. We cannot afford this additional expense on our income. Further, who will buy the home with a power bill such as this? Before this rate jump we had an "off hour" rate between the hours of 8:00p.m. and 7:00a.m. each day of the week including all day Saturday and Sunday. This has gone too. There is no place to go except broke.

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