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FirstEnergy Rate Case

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Investigation and Audit Division

Memorandum

Date: 3/1/2010

Re: Jill Peasley 7145 Mildon Dr Painesville, OH 44077

Docketing Case No.: 10-0176-EL-ATA

PUCO

Notes: Our complaint is against The Illuminating Company AND the PUCO.

Our all-electric discounted rate was offered as an incentive to furnish a house with all electric appliances when it was built and when the house was resold to us three years later the rate was grandfathered by The Illuminating Company as an incentive to maintain electric appliances. We were informed by the staff of The Illuminating Company that this rate went forward for us as long as we owned this home and kept all of the appliances electric. Numerous purchases including an electric water heater and electric heat pump were made with this information in mind.

This decision by The Illuminating Company and the PUCO also impacts the resale value of our home, not to mention the impact to our finances due to the unplanned and budgeted extremely high cost of electric during the winter heating months. The chances of a prospective buyer now being interested in our home when they find out that we have all electric appliances and heat has been severely reduced and the amount of money that we will be able to get from the sale of our home is now also lower.

This grandfathered rate is a legally binding contract between The Illuminating Co and us and there was no clause stating that it could be cancelled at any time or that the discounted rate would expire. Our discount rate should not have been cancelled and the cancellation should be considered a breach of contract. The discounted rate should be re-established retro-active to the unlawful cancelling of the all-electric rate.

The PUCO failed to research the full impact of allowing this change to be made and should be held accountable for "permitting" the cancellation of a legally binding rate. The PUCO has failed in their mission to be a watch dog over the electric company and a protector of the public's rights.

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