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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
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Memorandum

Date: 3/2/2010

Re: Jane Myden
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Notes:

I am writing today to voice my concerns over First Energy eliminating the all house electric discount. We built our home in 1979, with electric baseboard heating. We built this way as there were not alot of options in rural Geauga County, and we were promised the discount if we built this way. Many, many homes in this county were built under this premise.

Now, many of us are nearing retirement age and cannot afford this extravagant increase. No other business would be allowed to get away with this, especially in these rough economic times. Everyone had a chance to apply for this discount when it was offered. Just because some did not take advantage of it at the time, does not mean that the ones that did, now owe them, because we still received it. We could not change how we heat now as we have no duct work in our home. And as for buying energy efficient appliances, now that will not happen, as all our money will be going to First Energy. I do not think you will see anyone buying them who used to get this discount, instead, they will be finding appliances at garage sales, used stores, etc. It also will now make our home much harder to sell when the time comes.

How could you, in good concience, allow this to happen? This was no modest rate increase. My elderly 83 year old mother lives by herself in a condo in Chardon, and just received a \$510 bill for this month. Ours was \$451. (Up over \$200 from January 2009, and we used less electricity) We have started to turn our electric hot water tank off with the breaker, except wwhen we absolutely need it. You are going to see alot of elderly people not being able to afford this, even with a monthly set amount, and who knows what is going to happen to them.

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I know that there is public outrage over this, regardless of what First Energy puts in the paper, and I am encouraging everyone to fight this. You are partly to blame for allowing this to happen. What were you thinking? We could have accepted even a \$50 a month increase, but not \$200. and last month was very near the same.

Thank You for your time. I know you think this was appropriate, however, I am sure you have received many, many letters, and there will be many more to come.

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