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Memorandum

Date: 2/1/2012

Re: Kenneth Reno 5270 US Hwy # 50

Hillsboro, OH 45133

Docketing Case No.:11-348-EL-SSO

Notes:

COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

I operate a small business in highland county and currently employ eleven people full time. I really can not understand the thinking of the PUCO and AEP in these tough times when small businesses are really scraping to just maintain and keep their doors open and you two get together and decide it is the right time to collect for expenses deferred over the past few years, As a bsiness owner I understand the need to recover costs but I am not at liberty to do so in the same manner AEP has implemented by raising the distribution charges by such a large amount. I feel they are trying to recover too much too soon and will in effect put a great strain on the small businesses and the local economy in a whole. I understand the large industries that consume the greater amounts of power will not be treated the same only because they had representation to support their interest at your meetings....how convenient that was. Just keep pushing the costs off on the small business community and kneel to larger industry and sooner or later there will be no small businesses. Thanks for the opportunity to voice my opinion and please look at this arrangement a little closer.

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