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The Honorable Todd Snitchler
Chairman, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 E. Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215

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Dear Chairman Snitchler:

On behalf of all Ohioans, and especially our constituents, we thank the Public Utility Commission of Ohio for going back to the drawing board on the American Electric Power's rate plan and requiring AEP to revert back to their 2011 electric rates.

In the midst of families struggling to make ends meet and working to provide for their household, an increase in electric costs hurt family and small business budgets. We believe that the ability to participate in market competition without restrictions is the best policy for economic growth and prosperity.

At a time when Ohio is working to advance economic growth and foster a strong business climate, we need to ensure that we give our businesses every opportunity to grow and succeed. We recognize that energy costs are a large percentage of business overhead, so we must be mindful that having a significant increase in electric rates could put businesses at a competitive disadvantage.

We ask the commission to carefully examine the modified ESP and develop a plan that ensures all Ohioans have the ability to shop for the lowest possible rates, without government restriction.

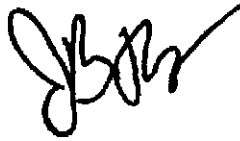
Thank you for your consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely,

Representative Clifford A. Rosenberger
Eighty-Sixth Ohio House District

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Seventy-Eighth House District

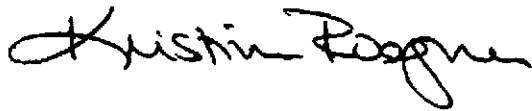
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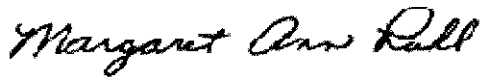
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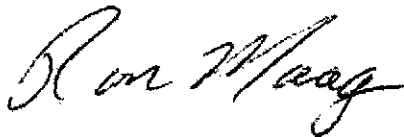
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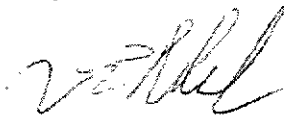
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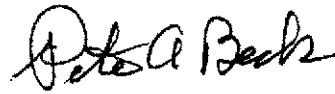
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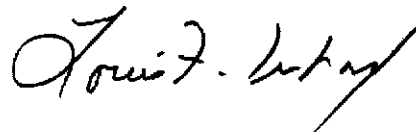
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