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To The Chairman and Commissioners of the
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
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Re: Case No 12-1685-GA-AIR , et seq. Duke Energy Gas & Electric Rate Increases

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For these and many other reasons, I implore the PUCO to deny the Duke Energy Ohio increase in natural gas rates.

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