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Subject: Fwd: CKAP - Your Help Is Needed Again!

Please include Mary Carpenter 4412 woodridge drive Sandusky Ohio 44870 to the email opposing rate increase

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Cc: "Sue Daugherty" <SueD@ServingourSeniors.org>, "Sue Steigerwald" <sue2811@roadrunner.com>
Subject: Fw: Fwd: CKAP - Your Help Is Needed Again!

Please read the information below and do your part as suggested by Sue to appose the First Energy request being considered by PUCO.

Jude

FirstEnergy Ohio Edison is trying to raise our rates again by proposing a bailout of their failing power plants. If the plan passes, the average all-electric Ohio Edison customer's bill will raise at least \$11 per month. Please try to stop this increase by following these simple steps:

- Send an email to the PUCO saying you are **opposed to FirstEnergy's proposed Purchased Power Agreement to bailout their failing power plants.** The PUCO's email address is docketing@puc.state.oh.us
- Be sure to include your name, address, and the fact you are an all-electric home/condo owner
- Tell the PUCO that FirstEnergy should pay for their failing power plants out of company profits instead of charging Ohio Edison customers
- Ask for your email to be filed in the docket for **Case # 14-1297-EL-SSO**
- Please send your letter by December 5th if possible

Sue Steigerwald

From: [Richard jordan](#)
Sent: Tuesday, November 25, 2014 9:12 AM
To: [Sue Steigerwald](#)
Subject: Fwd: CKAP - Your Help Is Needed Again!

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Subject: CKAP - Your Help Is Needed Again!
Date: Mon, 24 Nov 2014 22:59:56 -0500
From: Sue Steigerwald <mailto:sue2811@roadrunner.com>
To: Sue Steigerwald <mailto:sue2811@roadrunner.com>

Dear CKAP Members,

Your help is needed once again to fight against a plan FirstEnergy is trying to implement that will unjustly raise all of our electric rates. To understand what is happening now, a brief review of history is needed. In 1999, FirstEnergy fought for and won the right to separate its distribution and generation

facilities. FirstEnergy distribution (delivery of electricity to homes) remained with the Illuminating Company, Ohio Edison, and Toledo Edison as our local utility companies. FirstEnergy generation became the company known as FirstEnergy Solutions or (FES), who owns all the power plants.

This separation of the generation and distribution functions of FirstEnergy was supposed to be good for consumers because it was hypothetically the first step to allowing a competitive retail electric market to develop which would allow all of us to shop for lower generation prices. However, it had two highly negative impacts on all-electric customers. The first impact is that FirstEnergy argued that because its generation plants were now separate from its distribution plant, it could no longer offer all-electric customers a significant all-electric discount. The second impact is that the generation company of FES essentially became a bully in our retail electric market, undercutting other suppliers who tried to make offers and thus thwarting the development of any true competition.

Fast forwarding to 2014, and FES announced in August 2014 that it was leaving its unprofitable retail electric supply market and would focus on selling electric only to the wholesale market. (Read about the FES Collapse Story in the Plain Dealer). At first this sounded like good news as the bully would be gone and perhaps true electric competition could develop in our area. Unfortunately, FirstEnergy also filed in August with the PUCO their three year rate plan that will set electric distribution prices for each of the local distribution companies (Illuminating, Ohio Edison, and Toledo Edison). In this three year rate plan, FirstEnergy has snuck in a provision that will help them cover the loss of the retail market for FES that will cause all of our electric distribution rates to increase.

The provision FirstEnergy has in their three year rate plan is called a Purchased Power Agreement, and it would commit our local distribution companies (Illuminating, Ohio Edison, and Toledo Edison) to buy all the electricity from FES that was generated by the Davis-Besse and WH Sammis Plants for the next 15 years. The local distribution companies would be **obligated to pay whatever FES says the electricity costs to produce**, which will include making necessary upgrades to Davis Besse and WH Sammis. FirstEnergy Distribution companies would then sell this electricity into the wholesale regional market at either a profit or a loss. The profit or loss on the sale will then be **automatically charged to all of us** and appear as a line item on our local distribution company bills. (Read more about (FirstEnergy's Rate Plan in the Plain Dealer))

FirstEnergy has already admitted that for the next 3 years, **this arrangement will knowingly operate at a loss**, and the average customer who uses 750 kwh per month will be charged \$3.50. This charge is unavoidable regardless of who you may buy your electricity from because it will be tacked onto the distribution side of the bill. If the average customer's charge at 750kwh is \$3.50 per month, the **average all-electric customer's winter bill usage of 2,600 kwh will experience a bill increase of at least \$11.00 per month.**

If FirstEnergy's plan passes, it will essentially allow the regulated and guaranteed profits (which we already pay) from FirstEnergy's distribution companies to subsidize two *unregulated* and unprofitable power plants. Not only is this unfair to the consumer, but it will completely reverse any progress made since 1999 to de-regulate the generation of electricity in Ohio to form a competitive market.

Almost every organization who has intervened in this rate case plan is opposed to FirstEnergy's ideas due to its negative customer impact and anti-competitive nature, including the Ohio Consumer's Counsel and the PUCO Staff. However, we need consumers to also go on record as being opposed to the plan too, and since all-electric customers are once again going to be the most impacted, it is vital for us to speak out against this rate plan. Local hearings will be held sometime in the future, and I will contact you when those are announced. But in the meantime, it is critical that we all go on record in the case docket as being **opposed to FirstEnergy's proposed Purchased Power Agreement to bailout their failing power plants.**

I ask that you take the time to write a short letter of opposition to the PUCO that will be filed in the case docket. You can do so by sending an email to docketing@puc.state.oh.us and by noting at the top of the email to **file your comments into the docket for Case # 14-1297-EL-SSO.**

Of course, FirstEnergy is already filling the docket with "customer" letters from employees of Davis Besse and WH Sammis saying they cannot afford to lose their jobs, etc., which FirstEnergy is threatening if this rate case does not pass. None of us want employees to lose jobs, but we do want FirstEnergy to foot the bill out of corporate profits to keep these plants running under regulation and not continue to pass the charges onto customers.

We would like to see a flood of opposition comments in the docket over the next two weeks, so please try to **complete your letter by December 5th**. Thank you for your help and for fighting to keep the all-electric home affordable to live in.

Sue Steigerwald