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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Re: case number 14-1297-EL-SSO

It is imperative that you do not allow a rate increase by First Energy, that would effectively allow the continued use outdated plants that contribute to the already overwhelming pollution in our state. It is way past time for these companies to invest in efficient and renewable energy.

We consumers have been doing our part for decades, trying to reduce pollution by adhering to tougher car emission standards. There is no excuse for the use of outdated coal plants. We have the technology and the resources to provide cleaner, more efficient energy and it is time for the utility companies to take responsibility for investing in this technology.

Please stop the utilities companies from passing the buck. By denying the rate increase, you will join us in forcing these companies to invest in a cleaner, safer future.

Sincerely

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