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Dear Public Utilities Commission,


I am writing you today to ask that you deny First Energy's request for the PUCO to authorize substantial, consumer-funded subsidies to bail out its uneconomic power plants. I am *strongly* opposed to any action that would have me, as a energy consumer, pay more to bail out a private company, especially one that is using dirty means to produce energy.

I used to know one of a Vice President at First Energy through my work. He had his own plane. I can't even afford flying lessons. I find it appalling that such a bailout would cost me to the benefit him. (Even though he was a great guy.)

I've heard that the governing party in charge of Ohio's electric grid named the coal plants in the proposed bailout as "non-essential" and I've also heard that they are over 60 years old. Please don't punish electric consumers by forcing them to pay for this bailout through increased rates or through some sort of tax. Remember - you are the *Public* Utilities Commission of Ohio.

Please reject FirstEnergy's proposal and ensure full corporate separation, so that a utility can no longer cross-subsidize or favor its affiliate companies in order to block competition. Doing so would send a clear message to clean energy businesses, entrepreneurs, investors, and residents that Ohio is ready for a new era--one in which utility profits are not placed ahead of Ohioans' best interest and electricity is clean, reliable, and affordable.

Sincerely,


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