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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215

Dear PUCO members,

I'm writing to urge you to deny FirstEnergy, Duke Energy, and AEP's request for a Purchase Power Agreement.

I am strongly opposed to the energy companies' plan to raise consumers' rates in order to cover the costs of their outdated and inefficient coal plants. These plants are well beyond their prime, and they are no longer able to compete economically and environmentally.

It's clear that power from coal plants is no longer an appealing option to consumers and businesses, since these energy companies are unable to sell generation capacity from these coal plants at a profit on the open market. Businesses as well as consumers like me want energy that is cleaner and more environmentally safe.

I am concerned about the toxic pollution these outdated coal plants produce, and I do not want one penny of my utility bill to go toward keeping these plants open. I urge you to continue to deny these energy companies the Purchase Power Agreement they are requesting.

In voicing my concern, I join with other citizen action groups such as Ohio Citizen Action.

Sincerely, \_

Tim Beckmeyer

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