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From: Richard Cantieri <rcantieri@insight.rr.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 21, 2016 8:32 AM
To: Johnson, Thomas
Subject: I am against AEP and FirstEnergy subsidies.

Dear Commissioner Johnson,

Keeping this short. I work. I pay taxes. I vote. No one pays for my gas or car repairs so I can work. I do not want to pay more than I already do for AEPs services.

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