

Case No. 16-1852

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Increasing the cost of electricity for seniors and people like us who are on a fixed income and try every way we know to conserve energy doesn't sound like a very good idea.

Please consider this and increase the rates of the big users if you must make an increase in your ^{the AEP} rates.

Thank you for your consideration to this matter.

Regards,

M/M Melvin Baumgard
105 Kern Dr.

From: webmaster@puc.state.oh.us
To: PUCO ContactThePUCO
Subject: PUCO CONTACT FORM: 112441
Received: 4/25/2017 8:41:03 AM
Message:
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Related Case Number:

TYPE: Comment

NAME: Mr. Andrew Tarutani

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INDUSTRY:Electric

ACCOUNT INFORMATION:

- Company: AEP
- *(no account name provided?)*
- *(no service address provided?)*
- *(no service phone number provided?)*
- *(no account number provided?)*

COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

To whom it may concern, As an individual that is familiar with AEP and that is looking to implement solar, can I please see a justified explanation for the increase of fixed charges? I see this as a large impediment to my solar project that could effectively eradicate my passion for pursuing a more sustainable energy source. If this proposal of increased fixed charges does pass, how can I justify an installation of solar on my home? Not only does this affect me, the end-user, but it also is detrimental to the entire sustainable energy industry. Regardless of how you look at it, I do foresee renewable energies as the path forward into the future. How is this rate increase preparing homeowners for that future? What justification is AEP using to sustain this increase of fixed charges? I appreciate your comments and value your input, Andrew Tarutani

From: webmaster@puc.state.oh.us
To: PUCO ContactThePUCO
Subject: PUCO CONTACT FORM: 112435
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Message:
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Related Case Number:

TYPE: Comment

NAME: Mr. Justin Hoff

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INDUSTRY:Electric

ACCOUNT INFORMATION:

- Company: AEP
- *(no account name provided?)*
- Service address: 220 E Granville Rd
- Service phone: 6149060327
- *(no account number provided?)*

COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

RE: 16-1852-EL-SSO (AEP fixed charges) I am extremely against AEP raising their fixed charges by up to 120%. I think this is a simple "money grab" by AEP that has no merit. It would have a disproportionately negative impact to low income customers. It will also negatively impact customers that are using alternative energies to power their homes. I hope that PUCO will deny AEP's request. Justin Hoff

Dear PUCO,

This is the AEP bill for April that demonstrates what we residential customers are facing with the proposed increase in the residential rate from \$840 to \$14.40 and eventually \$18.40.

It is not just the fact that the monthly bill will be increasing by \$10/month, or \$120 annually. It is that we residential customers are already paying **\$61.68/month**, or **\$740.16 annually in FIXED FEES**. In the sample April bill below for a relatively low-usage month, the fixed charges exceed the amount charged based on usage. If PUCO approves the two rate hikes for the residential fixed rate, this means a customer would be paying **\$860.16** annually in total fixed charges. It's not a surprise that low income Ohioans are unhappy about this.

Monthly fixed residential rate	Total Monthly Fixed Cost	% of Total Monthly Fixed Cost
\$8.40	\$61.68	13.62%
\$13.40	\$66.68	20.10%
\$18.40	\$71.68	25.67%

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

Rate Tariff: Residential Service-RES

Account Number	Total Amount Due	Due Date
108-213-655-4-3	\$112.98	Apr 21, 2017
Meter Number	Cycle-Period	Bill Date
77521018	04-13	Apr 5, 2017

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Previous Charges:		
Total Amount Due At Last Billing	\$	141.34
Payment (03/24/17) - Thank You	\$	-141.34
Previous Balance Due	\$.00
Current AEP Ohio Charges:		
Tariff 820 - Residential Service 04/03/17		
Service Delivery Identifier: 0004082101832271		
Transmission Service	\$	12.92
Distribution Service	\$	34.78
Customer Charge	\$	8.40
Retail Stability Rider	\$	1.40
Deferred Asset Phase-In Rider	\$	1.93
Power Purchase Agreement Rider	\$	2.57
Current Electric Charges Due (Detail Monthly Fixed \$ 60.05)	\$	61.99
Current AEP Energy Inc Charges (066-283-5762):		
Service Delivery Identifier: 0004082101832271 04/03/17		
Generation: 908 KWH X \$0.0595		
Current Supplier Charges	\$	51.30
Total Amount Due	\$	51.30

*Charges make up the "Total Amount Due"
Do Not Pay This Bill. This Amount Will Be Deducted From Your Bank Account On April 21, 2017.
Price-to-Customer: For tariff 820, in order for you to save money off of your utility's supply charges, a supplier must offer you a price lower than AEP Ohio's price of 8.1 cents per kWh for the same usage that appears on this bill. To review available competitive supplier offers, visit the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's "Energy Choice Ohio" web site at

* Not sure what this EDR means. I think this pertains to the variable portion based on KWHs used.

For Billing, Outage or Service Inquiries,
Call: 1-800-672-2251
Pay By Phone: 1-800-611-0864

AEP Ohio Messages

In case number 14-1864-EL-RDR, the PUCO approved an adjustment to Ohio Power Company's Business Power Agreement (BPA) Rider effective with this bill. The BPA allows AEP Ohio to collect or pass back the difference between total costs and revenues associated with its 530MW-pwr rate power agreement. A residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity will see an increase of \$0.34 per month.

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in case number 17-0205-EL-RDR on March 28, 2017, approved AEP Ohio's request to adjust its Economic Development Rider (EDR) effective with this bill. The EDR supports industrial customers that retain and increase Ohio jobs. A residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity will see an increase of \$0.47 per month.

Sealing copper is illegal and can have deadly consequences. Reporting copper theft could save a life, so if you have any information, please call 1-866-767-5865.

I hope PUCO takes a close look at what these numbers mean to the average AEP customer. Regards,

Christine Mangel
Christine Mangel
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Related Case Number:

TYPE: Complaint

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INDUSTRY:Electric

ACCOUNT INFORMATION:

- *(no utility company name provided?)*
- *(no account name provided?)*
- *(no service address provided?)*
- *(no service phone number provided?)*
- *(no account number provided?)*

COMPLAINT DESCRIPTION:

I am writing to share my concerns with the proposed AEP 120% increase on the fixed fees that are included in my monthly bill. My wife and I are retired and any significant increase in our monthly bills (including utilities) means we need to cut costs elsewhere. It is my hope the PUCO will take the many elderly AEP customers (mostly on fixed incomes) in mind when it reviews this exorbitant increase request. Sincerely, Dave and Arleen Rico 1492 Beaman Dr. Columbus, OH 43228

From: ContactThePUCO@puc.state.oh.us
To: [Puco Docketing](#)
Subject: Docketing
Date: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 3:15:28 PM

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Investigation and Audit Division

Memorandum

Date: 4/25/2017

Re: Leo Timm
302 Hickory

Delaware, OH 43015

Docketing Case No.: 16-1852-EL-SSO

Notes:

Please docket the attached in the case number above.

COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

I am protesting the proposed increase in the fixed type charges of AEP (case no. 16-1852) which according to Rachel Belz, Ohio Citizen Action, will double my charges over the next two years. Through the elective process, the people voted to have competitive pricing in electrical supplier rates, which is in keeping with the American tradition of capitalism. However, the utility companies such as AEP still hold somewhat of a monopoly due to ownership of their utility transmission equipment. They need to figure out another way to make themselves more profitable other than passing the costs onto consumers. Keep any fixed cost increase limited to the inflation rate. I am sure that AEP (and Duke energy for that matter) pay top money for their executives to figure out more ways to maintain their profit structure other than just passing costs onto consumers. It is just not fair. It seems like five to ten years ago I was considering heating my home with electricity due to increasing natural gas costs. Supply of gas increased, prices went down. What happened on the electricity side of the equation? Just say no to proposed cost increases or at least keep it to a minimum. Thank you.
Leo Timm.

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Related Case Number:

TYPE: Comment

NAME: Mrs. Ellen French

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INDUSTRY:Electric

ACCOUNT INFORMATION:

- Company: AEP
- *(no account name provided?)*
- *(no service address provided?)*
- *(no service phone number provided?)*
- *(no account number provided?)*

COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

Please listen to the public outcry and regarding case number 16-1852, do not allow AEP to raise our fixed rates. It is hard enough for some of us to pay all our bills as is, and raising their fixed rates just to help their bottom line is morally unjust and unfair to consumers who do their best to use as little energy as possible. PLEASE do not make a senseless decision in favor of a large company, and let all the people down who make up their customer base.

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Related Case Number:

TYPE: Comment

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INDUSTRY:Electric

ACCOUNT INFORMATION:

- Company: AEP
- *(no account name provided?)*
- *(no service address provided?)*
- *(no service phone number provided?)*
- *(no account number provided?)*

COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

Please do not support AEP's plan to double the amount of the fixed portion on our electric bill. Increasing the fixed rate will unfairly punish customers who strive to minimize their energy consumption or who find alternative energy sources.

From: webmaster@puc.state.oh.us
To: PUCO ContactThePUCO
Subject: PUCO CONTACT FORM: 112464
Received: 4/26/2017 9:55:32 AM
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Related Case Number:

TYPE: Comment

NAME: Ms. Christine Higgins

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INDUSTRY:Electric

ACCOUNT INFORMATION:

- Company: AEP
- *(no account name provided?)*
- *(no service address provided?)*
- *(no service phone number provided?)*
- *(no account number provided?)*

COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

In reference to: 16-1852-EL-SSO I want to speak against the proposal to raise electricity rates across the board. I understand companies need money to operate & maintain their structures but there must be another way. Many Many people are on fixed incomes & cannot absorb an increase. Also, it is truly unfair to increase the cost of a one person household the same amount as a 6 person household different customers use different amounts of electricity. Thirdly, it is unfair to make this increase when there is no competition, or free market at play to keep costs down. Please do not do this. Christine Higgins

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