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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Investigation and Audit Division

Memorandum

Date: 5/17/2017

Re: Cara Gallagher 230 McMillan W

Cincinnati, OH 45219

Docketing Case No.: 17-0032-EL-AIR

Notes:

Please docket the attached in the case number above.

## COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

Proposed Duke Energy electric rate increase. Duke is proposing raising the customer charge to 22.77 a month from \$6 per month. This seems excessive since they are publishing an overall " average rate increase" of 1.68%. I use only about 350 kwh per month. so my increase will be about 37% in total. Duke penalizes small users as they are lowering the distribution charge a little but attempting to increase the customer charge by 380%! They do the same thing with gas. My actual gas use is 2 CCF for a charge of 7 cents, yet my total gas bill is \$43. Do not let them do the same thing with electricity. I tried calling Duke, but there customer service people were not even aware of a proposed increase.

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