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May 19, 2017

Maureen Knapp
7101 E. Jefferson Dr.
Mentor Ohio 44060

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

PUCO

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RE: Case Number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

Dear Gentle Persons:

PLEASE, PLEASE do not grant First Energy their request for a customer charge increase!

Their request is pure greed. They need to make better investments, pay CEO's more reasonable pay and bonuses. This is especially true when they make poor of bad business financial decisions.

I am on a very fixed income. This increase will hurt my budget. I will have to do a great deal of adjusting. First Energy needs to do a great deal of adjusting to live within their budget!!!!

Very truly yours.

Maureen Knapp
Maureen Knapp

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Public Utilities Commission,

I'm writing in regards
to case # 17-0334-EL-ATA.

We now have two children
in college which is very
expensive to say the least.

We work full time & live
pay check to pay check. We get
by by sticking to a very
strict budget. These types
of changes and increases
are unacceptable and make
our lives difficult to pay
our bills on time. I hope
you take this into consideration
before making any changes.

Thanks,
Kim Engel

34409 Fortune Ct.
N. Redgville, OH 44039

Nancy Shucofsky
21240 North Park Drive
Fairview Park, OH 44126

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

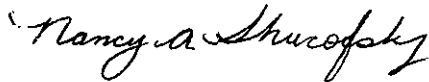
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Sincerely,

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Nancy A. Shucofsky

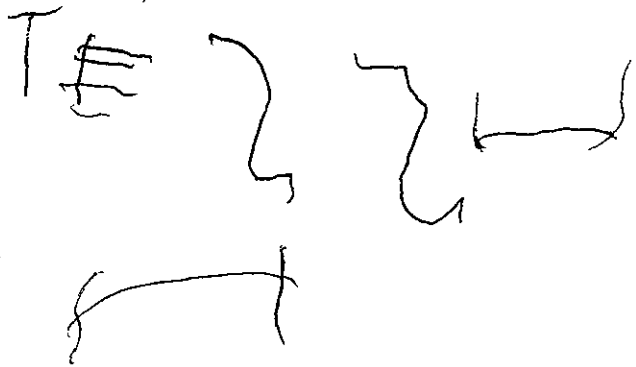
Tessa Verhage
Resident
Case number 17-0334-EL-ATA
2865 Huntington
Shaker Heights, OH 44120
Date 5/24/17

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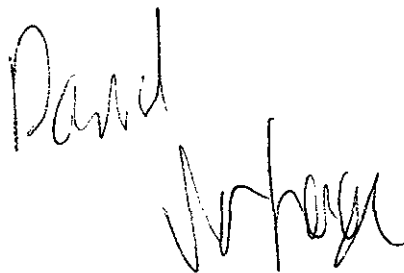
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David Verhage

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Ryan Shucofsky
21240 North Park Drive
Fairview Park, OH 44126

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

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Sincerely,



Ryan J. Shucofsky

To whom it may concern,

Our family already lives on a tight budget. We are already strained on our budget and could not afford an ~~addi~~ additional \$200 a year increase.

H. Murphy

17-0334-EL-ATA

PUCO-

I AM NOT IN FAVOR OF A
LARGE FIXED FEE INCREASE BY
OUR ELECTRIC UTILITIES. PLEASE
HELP US FOCUS ON CLEAN ENERGY.

THANK YOU.

Scott Miller

CASE# 17-0334-EL-ATA

Joe Shucofsky
21240 North Park Drive
Fairview Park, OH 44126

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

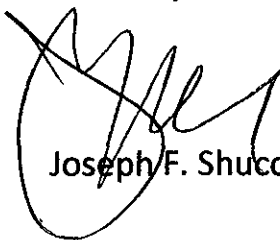
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joe Shucofsky', written over a circular stamp or seal.

Joseph F. Shucofsky


May 23, 2017

To whom it may concern:

Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

Please don't let this proposed change go through. This proposed change will take away money for me investing in other energy efficiently items for my house. As well as taking away my choice to invest in clean energy initiatives which is the direction we should be going in to help future generations.

Thank you,



Higinio Rivera Jr.

32948 Pennsylvania Drive

North Ridgeville OH 44039

May 19, 2017

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


To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to protest proposed increases in customer charges. I'm already angry that I have to pay *anything* for electricity considering that our electricity has gone out 23 times in the past 10 months. We've had to replace appliances, have our refrigerator and washer repaired. Because of this, we've gone to the expense of having a whole house surge protector installed.

We have been logging every instance and have called every time it goes out. Sometimes you send people, sometimes you don't. Sometimes it's out for only a few minutes and sometimes much longer. Sometimes we just have brownouts. The people who have come out say that nothing is wrong! There is no pattern to when it goes out either. It doesn't just happen when there are storms – it can happen any time.

So, if you think I would *ever* support a hike in our bill, You. Are. Crazy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Buling", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

John Buling
7335 Hayes Blvd
Mentor, OH 44060

May 24, 2017 -

To Whom It May Concern -

The future of our environment and the health of this earth is everyone's responsibility. Increasing fixed fees to cover costs of failing coal companies is not the direction we want to go in. Coal is not our future. Renewable energy sources, like solar and wind, to name just a few, are. We need to make choices that lead to energy conservation & efficiency & clean energy.

Please say "no" to an increase in mandatory, upfront fixed fees.

The Hunter Family
Chris & Maria Hunter

Case #: 17-0334-EL-ATA

May 23, 2017

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

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed customer increase charges by First Energy. These charges are unfair and represent a step backward in the quest toward cleaner, sustainable energy resources in our state, and poor foresight and management of customer trust. Instead of raising customer's monthly bills with a service fee, to support the dying coal industry, First Energy and other companies should be looking for ways to transition to cleaner energy resources like solar and wind power. My grandparents should not be penalized for bad business practices of Energy Companies. They are on a very fixed income and even modest customer service fee increases will impact their quality of life. I urge you to reject the proposed customer charge increases.

Sincerely,

Melissa Higgenis-Junder
3316 Aberdeen Rd
Shaker Hts, OH 44120

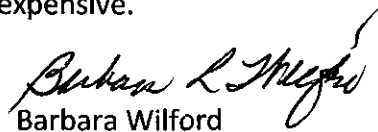
Bruce and Barbara Wilford
34507 Fortune Court
North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

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

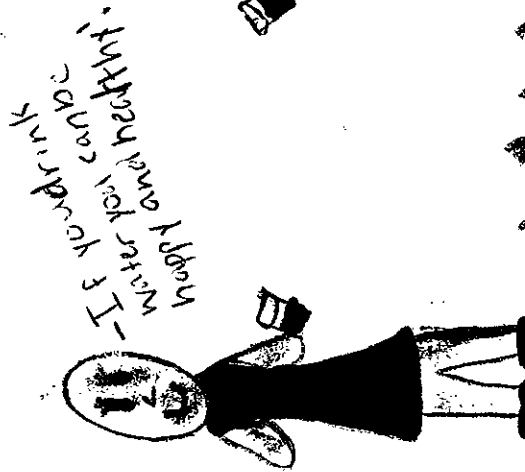
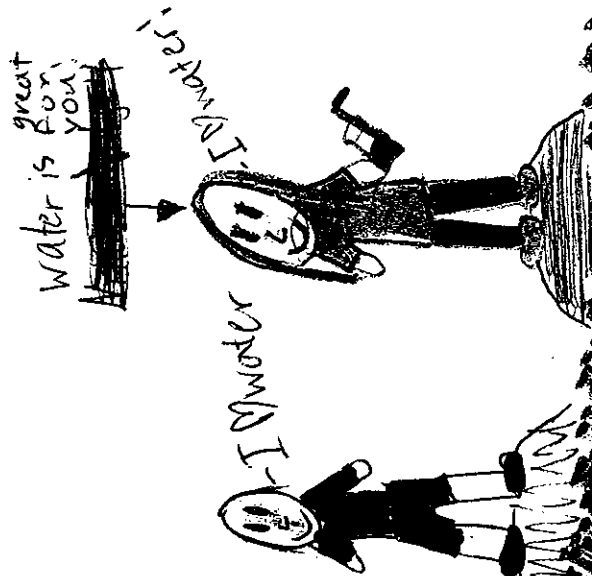
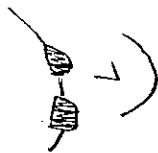
We are writing a letter to inform you of our opposition to the proposed FirstEnergy customer charge increase. Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATA As senior citizens, we have both worked throughout our lives to support our families and communities, paid our bills and were looking forward to retirement. As our income has decreased, we have to budget our expenses so they are manageable. The proposed increase in charges by FirstEnergy will put us at a hardship. Suffering from chronic respiratory disease requiring continuous positive pressure airway device to prevent sleep apnea, requires electricity. With this unnecessary proposed, cost increase we may have to make decisions on health or warmth, which should not happen in the USA.

We live on a budget from month to month, and have to make decision on how to keep with in the budget , is even more of a challenge with this proposed cost increase along with with the outrageous charges for medications. Unfortunately, we cannot fight the cost of medications increase except through Congress. We however do have the ability to compel the PUCO to deny this cost increase proposed. We ask that you deny the request, but we both support and use energy efficiency appliances and support the use of solar and wind, however, First Energy can continue to provide clean and efficient energy by re-investing in itself and not passing on the cost to the consumer. Over time, energy should become less expensive and not more expensive.

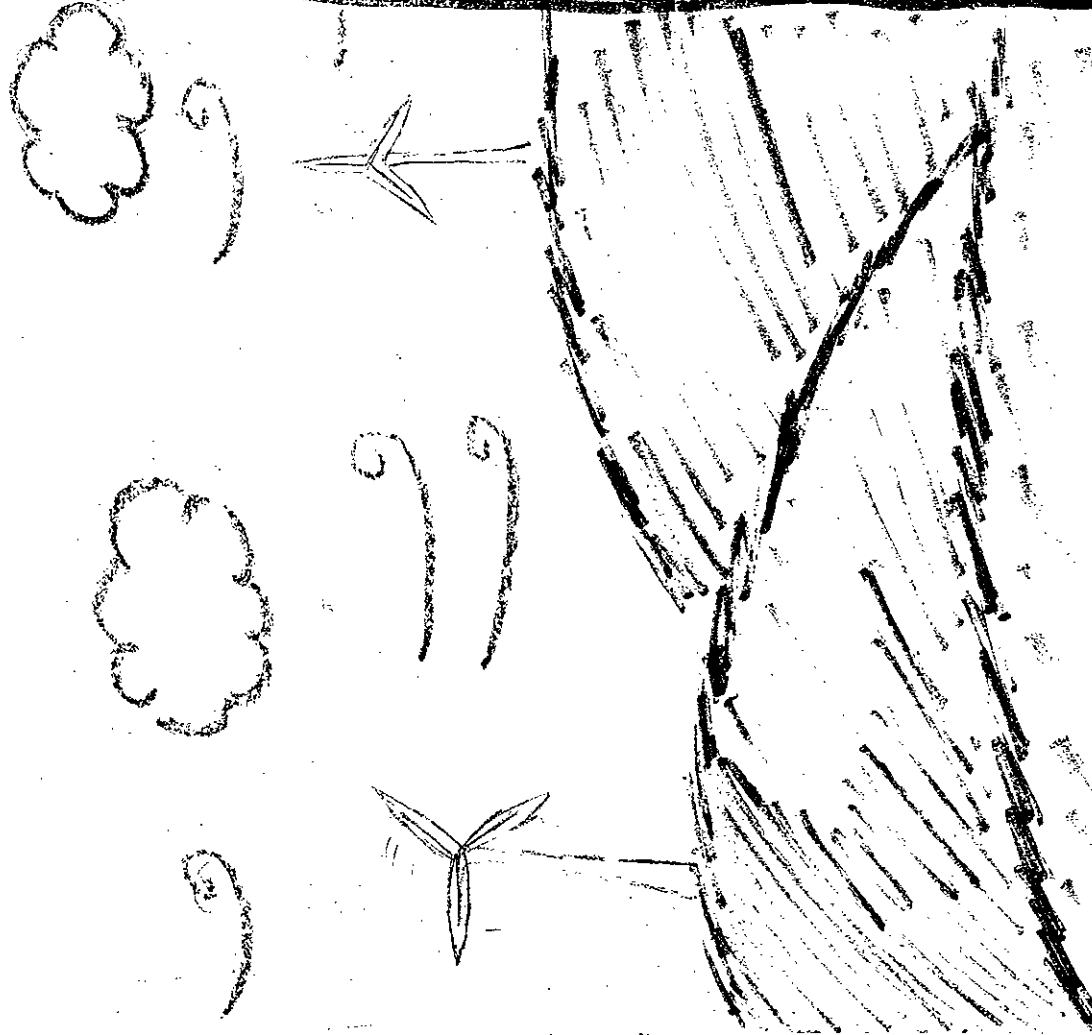

Barbara Wilford


Bruce Wilford

Keep Our Costs Low!!

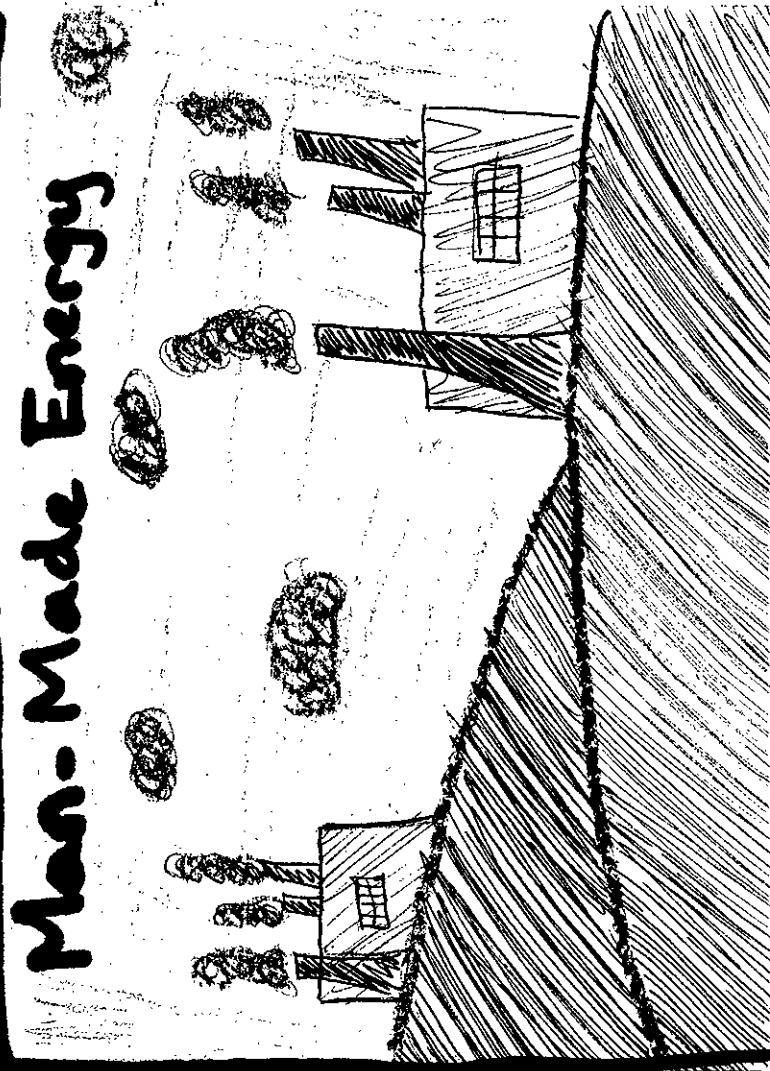


Clean Energy



We should keep the
energy price low for
clean energy and
higher the price for
man-made energy so
more people will switch
to clean energy and
help the planet! 🌍

Man-Made Energy ☹️



CASE #

17-0334-EL-ATA

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,

As a family in America we try to conserve on our energy in various ways with energy efficient lights, Appliances and turning off or unplugging when not in use.

Please, keep our costs low as we are on a budget and

Do not increase charges on our bills!!

*USE CLEAN ENERGY!!

SAVE AMERICAN FAMILIES!

6376 CARTER BLVD
MENTOR, OH 44060

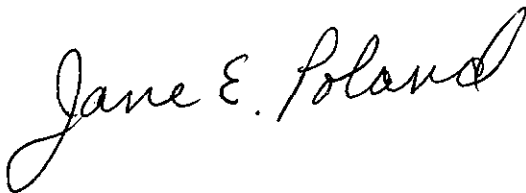
CASE NUMBER 17-0334-EL-ATA

My 23, 2017

To Whom It May Concern,

We are a single income family coming close to retirement. The increases in energy expenses is getting out of hand. It is just one more thing going up in cost including but not limited to food, taxes energy. Unfortunately our income is not, so this increase will create a huge burden. Please vote against it. Why also are products that can reduce consumption so expensive and overpriced. Many would make those changes but cannot afford the investment for those items. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane E. Poland". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Jane Poland

9162 Brian Street

North Ridgeville, OH 44039

Dear Utility Companies,

A 300% increase is inexcusable
in any industry when fair competition
is not available to the customers.

It is equally unfair that these prices
do not go directly to eliminating coal
and the damage it does to our
state

~~REPLY~~ CASE 17-0334-EL-ATA

Sincerely,
Beth & Rachelle Spence

21530 HILLSDALE

FAIRVIEW PARK, OH 44126

17896 Captain's Cove
Lakewood, OH 44107
25 May 2017

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

RE: Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA

Gentlemen:

I want to take this opportunity to express my opposition to the FirstEnergy proposal to add additional mandatory fixed fees to monthly residential electric bills. Since our home is all-electric, we are still trying to recover from FirstEnergy's discontinuing their previously guaranteed reduced electric rates for all-electric homes. The approval of these new mandatory fees, which are not based on the actual amount of energy used, will put even more pressure on our ability to live on our fixed retirement income.

I respectfully request the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio to reject these new fixed fees proposed by FirstEnergy.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Paraska". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Robert Paraska

May 23, 2017

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Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

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Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wanda Galvan Rivera", written over the printed name.

Wanda Galvan Rivera

32948 Pennsylvania Drive

North Ridgeville OH 44039

Rebecca Spagnolo
2831 Weybridge
Snake Heights OH 44120

To Whom It May Concern:

I write this as a concerned citizen to urge you to reject FirstEnergy's proposal to increase mandatory fees for their customers in order to cover costs associated with aging, out-of-date power plants. FirstEnergy for too long has refused to enter the modern era of clean energy + conservation, relying on cheap coal and, less than, the pockets of consumers like me to finance their poor, short-sighted decisions. It's time they changed how they do business, and begin investing in efficient, clean energy without charging exorbitant fees.

Thank you,

Rebecca Spagnolo

Case nr: 17-0334-EL-ATA

May 9 24th 2017

Dear utility commission,

Our family lives on a set budget every month without growth. The increase in our power bill would affect our budget. We would need to cut on our children's after school activities such as sports and arts.

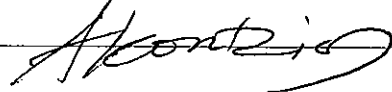
We are willing to invest in high efficiency windows and other investments like insulation.

The power fair increase takes away the wise option of clean and efficient improvement for me and my family.

We are strongly opposed to the increase and would rather invest in sound, clean and efficient choices such as efficient window and appliances.

Sincerely,

Apostolos Kontzias, MD



Address: 2874 Huntington Rd Shaker Heights, OH 44120

5/24/17

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this as a protest to the proposed new customer charge for my electric bill.

My family attempts to save energy in any way we can in our house in order to reduce our costs and save energy. We do not feel it is fair to raise our costs out of our control.

Thank you
Emily Ludwig

Emily Ludwig

Case #: 17-0334-EL-ATA

Kelly Chrzanowski
1008 Abbotshire Ave
Lakewood, OH 44107

May 25, 2017
Case #: 17-0334-
EL-ATA


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

Dear Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,

My husband and I were very disappointed to hear that FirstEnergy recently rolled out a proposal to increase upfront, mandatory residential fixed fees. We recently switched to wind powered energy sources and this proposal is moving in the opposite direction of energy efficiency. We feel very strongly that we should be moving toward clean energy solutions and this proposal does not support those investments.

We strongly urge you to reject this proposal and focus your efforts on alternative energy options that will help build a stronger future for our families in this community and around the country. Let Ohio set the better example.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely

Kelly Chrzanowski

Lukas Verhage
Resident
Case number 17-0334-EL-ATA
2865 Huntington
Shaker Heights, OH 44120
Date 5/24/17

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Sincerely yours,

Lukas Verhage

Lukas Juriaan Verhage

05/22/17

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMM. OF OHIO
180 E. BROAD ST.
COLUMBUS, OH. 43215

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I WOULD LIKE TO INVEST IN ENERGY
SAVINGS UPGRADES, I.E. NEW ENERGY SAVING
APPLIANCES OR SOLAR! BIG FIXED FEES
REDUCE WHAT I CAN SAVE FROM MAKING
SUCH INVESTMENTS — TAKING AWAY MY
CHOICE AND IS A FOCUS IN THE
OPPOSITE DIRECTION OF EFFICIENCY AND
CLEAN ENERGY.

SINCERELY

Marianne Byrne

CASE # 17-0334 - EL - ATZ

MAY 22, 2017

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 EAST BROAD ST.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: FIRST ENERGY PROPOSED CUSTOMER CHARGE INCREASES.
CASE #: 17-0334-EL-ATA

DEAR COMMISSION:

This letter expresses my concern regarding the Proposed Increase in Customer Charges. Tripling the charges will only serve to harm your customer base. It will not motivate your customers to engage in energy efficiencies nor empathize with your customers who are on fixed incomes. I ask you to RECONSIDER AND give recognition to those of us who have utilized First Energy's services over the years.

Please reconsider. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Patricia M. Flynn
PATRICK FLANAGAN
FAIRVIEW PARK, Ohio

May 25, 2017

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

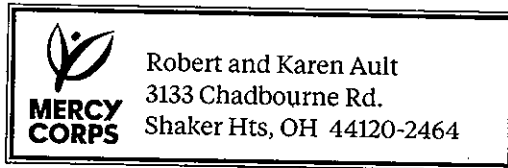
Dear Sirs

It is my understanding that First Energy has proposed a rate increase of 3-4 times the monthly "customer charge" to have coverage with them.

I am opposed to this ridiculous increase, especially since I am a retiree on a fixed income. What am I getting in return.

I will gladly pay for the electricity that I use, which I can control, but do not feel I should pay for services I am not getting. We should be looking for more renewable sources of energy rather than energy sources that continue to cost customers more money!

Bob & Mary
Tahewood, Ohio



May 24, 2017

To: Public Utilities Commission

Re: First Energy Proposed Rate Increase

CEI's proposed rate increase from \$6.29/Mo to \$18.87/Mo is outrageous! As a retired engineer living primarily on Social Security a three-fold increase is outrageous.

I would like to invest in renewable energy sources like wind & solar and not keep supporting CEI's old coal fired generating plants.

It is the 21st Century, it is time to invest in renewable energy.

Sincerely,

Robert T. Ault

Case No. 17-0334-EL-ATA

May 25, 2017

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

Re: 17-0334-EL-A7A

Gentlemen;

And I use the word loosely.

The proposed increase which the electric companies are proposing is too much for us. We are retired and on a fixed income.

It is time for the Share Holders to assume the increased costs. You are a Public Utility Commission. Your first obligation is to the public.
Enough is enough!!!!

Sincerely,

George Kouloulas

17487 Clifton Blvd
Lakewood, OH 44107

May 22, 2017

Diane Kastelic

21740 Robinhood Ave.

Fairview Park, Ohio 44126

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

180 East Broad Street

Columbus, Ohio 43215

To Whom It Concerns,

It is my understanding that energy utility rates will increase substantially in the near future. In an attempt to cover costs in a changing energy landscape I am finding it too convenient for you to pass your loss on to me, the consumer. As a stock holder in utilities and yes, coal, I put my money in companies that I thought could produce a profit for themselves and consequently, me. Sometimes, YOU LOSE. I, like YOU have lost. I am not fortunate enough to try and extol a compensatory amount in the form of an inflated invoice. I accept my mistakes.

Interestingly, I purchase a high efficiency furnace this year. Now, I can plan on putting THOSE projected savings back into the utilities corporations.

I cannot sympathize for your poor financial projections: only my own.

I am against a flat charge that you are considering imposing upon your customers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Diane Kastelic", written in black ink.

Diane Kastelic

V. Brown
8743 Ashton Place Dr.
N. Ridgenville OH 44039

5123117

Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

To whom it may concern,
I am against increase of "fixed rate charges"
it doesn't fit my budget. What I am for is
increase of solar power. Germany is a role model
in solar power usage. You overproduce energy, you
will get paid. Solar power will be our future.

Sincerely

V. Brown

5/22/17

Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

Public Utilities Commission of OH
180 E. Broad St.
Columbus, OH 43245

My family (my husband, who is not
here right now, and myself) are on
a budget, like lots (AND LOTS)
of others are. Receiving a bill that
is usually stable can cause
upset. It means that money
that is allotted toward groceries
or gas has to be toward
an inflated utility bill.

I'm sure I'm not the
only one who is NOT happy
about that.

- Adrienne Norton

May 22, 2017

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Cleveland Electric Illuminating

Dear Sirs,

I am writing in protest of
the proposed increase of \$18.87/month.
I feel that we must invest in
energy saving upgrades like new
energy efficiency and solar. Fixed
fees do not do this. Clean energy
goals should not be voluntary but
should be a mandatory goal. I am
against House Bill 114.

Case number 17-0334-EL-ATA

Thomas H. Stanton
Jean D. Stanton
3980 West Valley Drive
Fairview Park, OH
44126

To Whom it may Concern,

We are terribly
dissapointed in the proposed
increase. Many families
can not afford this! Please
reconsider.

Joy McDonald

CASE # 17-0334-EL-ATA

Alexis DaFonseca
21240 North Park Drive
Fairview Park, OH 44126

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
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Sincerely,



Alexis DaFonseca

May 23, 2017

To Whom It May Concern at The
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Concerning Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

FirstEnergy and other Companies
proposing Customer Charge
Increases are piling on to
the financial burden of working
families and the environmental
burden of pollutants from
coal based energy sources.

Please be responsible to
the communities that you
serve and the ^{region} environment
that our children and
your child need to grow
and prosper.

Thank You

Maura Berke Kramer
3026 Warrington Road
Shaker Heights OH
44120

May 22, 2017

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 E. Broad Street
Columbus, Oh 43215

Re: First Energy Proposed
Customer Charge Increase

Dear Sir:

I am retired and helping my
sister who has a disabled son
& grandson living with her.

I live close on a tight Budget.

This increase would put a
additional cost on us.

My husband passed away
in 2010.

It would limit my ability
to up grade to more efficient
items and help with energy efficiency.

Please do what you can
to reduce the proposed
increases

Sandra M. Gratten
3872 SAVOY DR
FAIRVIEW PK. OH 44126

5-23-17

To: Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Case #: 17-0334-EL-ATA

From: Concerned Citizen/Ohio Resident
Rula Raphael (8345 Dept St, North Ridgeville
Ohio 44039)

To Whom it may concern:

I and my family are opposed to the Ohio Edison proposed customer charge increases. We ~~already~~ struggle to pay the current utility charges per month due to our fixed income, so an increase of 4x greater than we pay now will be impossible to pay.

The Wages/incomes we have has not increased and yet utility companies like First Energy want to increase not by double but by quadruple?! This is outrageous! And this should be against public policy! Please do not permit them to do this.
Thank you.

Sincerely, 
Rula Raphael

Cheryl B. Spira

2924 Brighton Rd.

Shaker Hts., OH 44120

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

180 East Broad St.

Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Sirs:

I am writing regarding case #17-0334-EL-ATA, First Energy's proposal to increase customer charges. I believe that the proposal to triple this charge would be a burden to many families, including those with limited or fixed incomes and should be denied.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cheryl B. Spira". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Cheryl B. Spira

To Whom It may Concern,

Case number 17-0334-EL-ATA

Do not raise the cost for consumers, instead why not switch to clean renewable energy. Don't you already know burning of fossil fuels is terrible for our planet. Why not accept this fact as fact and move toward clean renewable energy. It may be a high cost initially but it will pay out tenfold in the future. Families like mine cannot afford an increase in charges and we cannot afford for our planet to be burned to the ground by big oil and the burning of fossil fuels. Seriously just GO GREEN.

-Genevieve Kadlec
evemariell@gmail.com

17848 Cannon Ave.
Lakewood OH
44107

May 22, 2017

Public Utilities Commission Of Ohio

Re: Case Number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

To Whom It May Concern:

My husband is retiring next year. Having just met with the teacher's state retirement system, we discovered we will receive nearly twenty percent less money per month than we had originally planned on. Our budget will have to be very strongly regimented. In consideration of this, a large increase in our power bill, and up front, will make our living situation all the more difficult. Also, I deem this as an unrighteous action, to ask a consumer to pay for a service not yet given.

I hope for the commission's sincere consideration before enacting this policy, which will be detrimental to many, many consumers.

Sincerely,

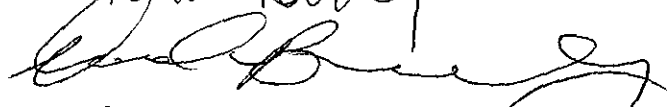

Judith Little

To Whom this may concern:

I'm writing to you to express my concern about the proposed customer charge increase.

My family & I would rather invest in clean efficient energy ~~you~~ options!

Thank You!

Dave Budky


Case number: H-0334-EL-ATTN

WENDY S. HAWBAKER

2917 Huntington Road
Shaker Heights, OH 44120

May 24, 2017

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

Case No.: 17-0334-EL-ATA

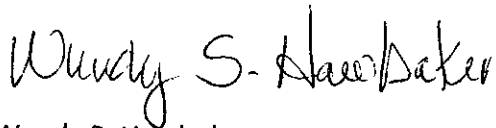
Dear Commissioners:

Please accept this as my letter in opposition to First Energy's attempt to massively hike our electric bills in order to make up for losses on closed power plants.

That the utility was not sophisticated enough to anticipate these closures and the resulting loss in value, is scandalous.

I will not pay for their inability to plan!

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wendy S. Hawbaker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Wendy S. Hawbaker

I am opposed to the increase of the Customer charge. The proposed amount is far too aggressive. As a new home owner in this area, that money will cut into my Budget for exterior security lights.

Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA.

Tom Wójcikowski /
6688 Majestic Drive /
N. Ridgelyville, OH. 44039

Case Number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

Public Utilities Commission,

I am writing to voice my displeasure with the proposed customer charge increase. Increasing a fixed fee by 3 times for a public service when there is no alternative is unfair to the consumer. Surely there are other alternatives that will not affect the public's finances so negatively. Please reconsider this increase and find another way to balance your budget.

Sincerely,

Stephen Wilson

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Step Wilson", written in a cursive style.

Dear Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,

I disagree with the charges proposed in case # (number)
17-0334-EL-ATA. Big Fixed Fees restrict my ability
to make energy saving upgrades as well as help to encourage
companies to use environmentally harmful methods.

From a concerned citizen,

Andrew Borcht-Isaacs



Matthew Warren

216.401.6813 matthewsmithwarren@gmail.com 3273 Chalfant Road, Shaker Heights, OH 44120

May 24, 2017

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

Dear PUC of Ohio

Please do not raise the the electric rates without careful consideration. Many of us can not afford to pay more. Also, big fixed fees discourage any concern for conservation. Please reduce the fixed costs and shift the balance of the bill to be more usage-based. This encourages more investment in energy efficiency. We'd be open to TOU (time-of-use) variable rates. Reference case number 17-0334-EL-ATA.

Also, please encourage the utilities to provide access to our current, real-time usage. This is the best way to encourage conservation. A simple read-only wifi access to the meter to gather the real-time usage would be enough. Once the real-time usage data is available entrepreneurs may pay for more costly, advanced solutions without raising utility costs.

Sincerely yours,



Matthew Warren

3273 Chalfant Road

Shaker Heights, OH 44120

(216) 401-6813

H BROWN
8743 Ashton Place Dr.
N. Ridgeville OH 44039

5/23/17

Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

To whom it may concern,

I am against your increase of your "customer charge". I am against fixed rate charges. How about you support solar power, let your customers make money by producing more solar power than what they need, and sell it back to you? Nobody now a days can afford to spend more money on energy. Money is tight for everybody. In Germany there are solar panels EVERYWHERE. That is the future.

Sincerely
Heike Brown

5/24/17

Dear FirstEnergy,

I write this to request you do not increase
the proposed change to the monthly fixed fees or
"cost recovery charges."

This will greatly impact our family's ability
to utilize money to purchase/maintain energy
efficient appliances and strategies.

Concerned customers,

The [Signature] and
[Signature]

17-0334-EL-ATA

Case #: 17-0334-EL-ATA

[Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]



17-0334-EL-ATA

Dear Public Utilities Commission,

Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

Living on a budget has become a day to day feat for our ever-growing family. We are grateful to be able to have utilities at our house and understand the need for utility bills. But, we have become dependent on these bills being established and invariable. As my family grows and we invest more money into our child's development, we must be able to count on these bills being steady. A raise in our "Customer charge" power bill could make us have to choose between our child's best interests or paying the bill. That's not something any parent should have to choose between. We as a family are firm believers in the advancements towards cleaner energies. We would love to contribute more to the cause and invest more into achieving a greener life. Any raise in our power bill however would direct us away from that goal of energy efficiency. Please think twice before raising these customer charges. You may achieve your short-term goal but ultimately lose the long-term goal of cleaner energy, as more families would be unable to afford contributing towards it.

Sincerely,
Parents of two

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is concerned with Case Number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

I am strongly opposed to the First Energy fixed rates that is proposed. This is the wrong way to be addressing our energy needs. We need to work on less reliance on current energy means and focus more on energy saving upgrades. Larger and higher fixed rates will be throwing money away for many of us consumers when we could be investing money in more efficient and clean energy.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. S. Powers". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Maureen S. Powers

17855 Lake Road

Lakewood, OH 44107

Public Utilities Commission.

5/24/17

Please Do Not Increase my customer charges.

My husband currently works 1 full time + 1 part time job in order to support our family, doubling our customer charges would definitely hit our family budget.

Please reconsider the decision of increasing the customer charge.

Thank you,

mazayron clay

Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'MZ' followed by a large flourish.

5-19-17

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio -

Increasing my utilities will have a huge negative impact on my budget. I am a newly single mother of three and a whole new list of financial responsibilities. An increase will only hurt our chances of staying in our current location due to other costs, etc.

Sincerely,
K. Wagner

7181 Buchanan Ct
Mentor OH 44060

Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA

Lucia A. Messina
15906 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights, OH 44120-2506
lucia.messina@aol.com

May 24, 2017

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

Dear P.U.C.O:

I am writing with the hope that you will reconsider your position with respect to fixed rate charges: asking us to throw more money at a problem that you should be ahead of at this point in time is only going to make things worse.

I have spent considerable personal income over the past twenty years purchasing energy efficient appliances which include a recently purchased printer; washer, dryer, dehumidifier, hot water heater, refrigerator; my car; had insulation blown into my attic; insulated the attic door--even my hot tub has an energy efficient mode in between uses.

The broader conversation about energy dependency and use in this country came to the national forefront in the '70s when Carter was President. Can you imagine where you'd be now if someone in PUCO had been paying attention back then?

Thank you for taking the time to consider my plea.

Sincerely,

17-0334-EL-ATA



Lucia A. Messina

5/23/17

To the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,

I, Ricardo Lopez of North Ridgeville, Ohio,
do NOT want to see an increase in our home
power bill rates.

The increase on our power bill would
severely strain our household budget. Being very
close to the age of retirement, I would appreciate
the comfort of not having to struggle financially
in my latter years of life.

Please reconsider your proposed increase
of rates on our power bill.

The Time is NOW to give us working class folks
a break!

Sincerely, Ricardo Lopez

Ricardo Lopez
9092 Brian Street
North Ridgeville, OH 44039

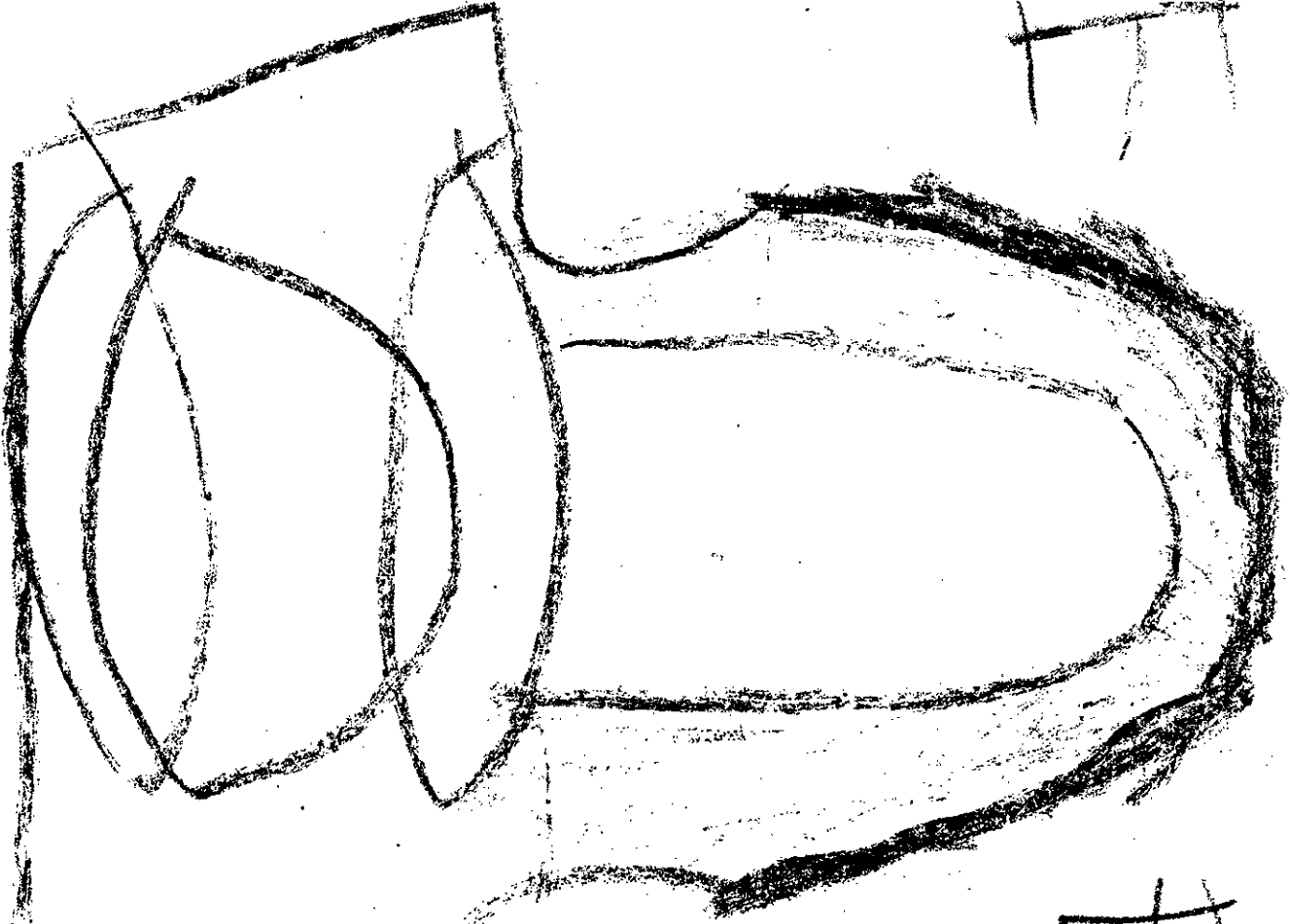
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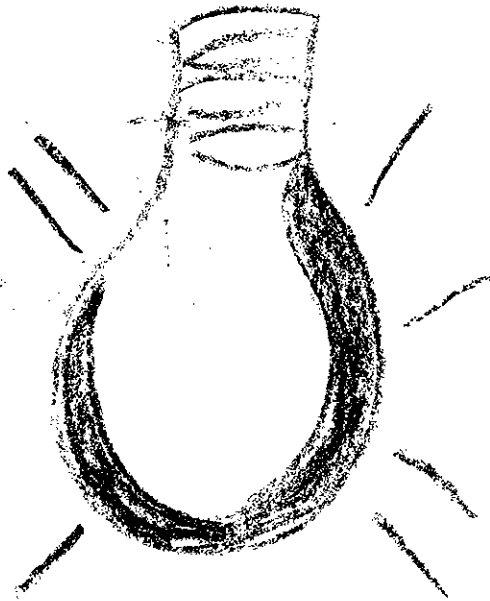
44126
Fairview Park, OH

~~ATA~~

CASE # 17-0334-EL-

FEES.

AND NO FIXED



WE WANT CHOICE,
CLEAN ENERGY

May 19, 2017

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

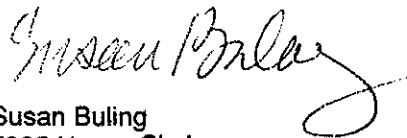
To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to protest proposed increases in customer charges. I'm already angry that I have to pay *anything* for electricity considering that our electricity has gone out 23 times in the past 10 months. We've had to replace appliances, have our refrigerator and washer repaired. Because of this, we've gone to the expense of having a whole house surge protector installed.

We have been logging every instance and have called every time it goes out. Sometimes you send people, sometimes you don't. Sometimes it's out for only a few minutes and sometimes much longer. Sometimes we just have brownouts. The people who have come out say that nothing is wrong! There is no pattern to when it goes out either. It doesn't just happen when there are storms – it can happen any time.

So, if you think I would ever support a hike in our bill, You. Are. Crazy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susan Buling".

Susan Buling
7335 Hayes Blvd
Mentor, OH 44060

To whom this may concern:

I'm writing this letter to you to express my concern about the customer charge increase. my family & I live on a fixed income.

We would rather invest in clean efficient energy options.

Thank You!

Kristen Budy

Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATT

5/22/2017

Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATA
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

Dear Utility Company, AKA First Energy,

I most definitely do NOT want my monthly bill to double or to increase in any way. I work very hard for a living and to double or increase my energy/utility bill will take away ~~for~~ from the volunteer work I do with animals. I do not want the local cats to interfere with the natural processes of wild animals. Our wildlife is a precious resource in Ohio and the integrity of the ecosystem means a lot to me. Please do not increase the bill, ~~so~~ or that of my neighbors, so that I can continue to support Ohio Wildlife.

Sincerely,



Tony Green.

To Whom it may concern,

Our family does not agree nor can afford a fixed rate charge increase that we ~~can~~ have no control over or have the ability to lower by reducing our energy consumption.

Thank you, The Blanchard Family.

CASE NUMBER: 17-0334-EL-ATA

RETURN ADDRESS: 9096 STONEGATE CIRCLE
NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OH 44039

PAUL B. BELLAMY JD, PHD

2917 Huntington Road
Shaker Heights, OH 44120

May 24, 2017

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

Case No.: 17-0334-EL-ATA

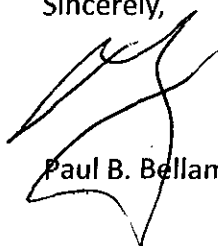
Dear Commissioners:

Please know that ordinary citizens stand in stark opposition to First Energy's attempt to massively hike our electric bills! While I understand the problem presented by losses on closed coal-power plants, I do not understand how that means that we should double-triple our electricity budgets to pay for that. That the utility was not sophisticated enough to anticipate these closures and the resulting loss in value, is scandalous.

Please make it absolutely clear that First Energy must rethink its entire approach, including threatening bankruptcy!

Please! Can we have some accountability here?

Sincerely,



Paul B. Bellamy

To Whom It May Concern:

It has been brought to my attention¹ that FirstEnergy is proposing a mandatory residential fixed fee to its customers. I am very disappointed to hear this! It eliminates any incentive to conserve energy and will lead to higher costs!

I am very against this idea of fixed rate charges. I do not think it's right that people have to pay for FirstEnergy's bad business decisions.

Thank you,

Jennifer Hollow

Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

To Whom it may concern.

This letter is in regards to case # 17-00320EL-AIR, and more importantly and specifically Duke Energy's plan to nearly quadruple the mandatory customer charge. Changing this is criminal. It would mean the difference between being comfortable and barely making paycheck to paycheck. The cost of energy that way pay was instrumental in our decision to own a home, and this rate hike would certainly put our family into question over whether or not we could continue to afford living where we live. These big fixed fees reduce our abilities to save money by making energy conscious changes and undermine possible investments in cleaner energy.

Furthermore it shouldn't fall to their customers to pay for Duke's inability to compete in a world that has finally begun to accept and ask for cleaner more sustainable energy. Allowing this is removing our voice from the matter and is moving in the opposite direction we should be headed toward clean and efficient energy.

Please do not reward failure.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad Wetzel".

Brad Wetzel

Case no. 17-0334-EI-ATA
Public Utilities Commissioner of Ohio
180 E. Broad St
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Regarding proposed customer charge increases
we try to reduce our utility bills
as we are aging.

Please reconsider and do not increase
customer charge increases

Michael Maraziti
3350 E. Smoke Rd
Shaker Hts Ohio 44120

RE: Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

25 May 2017

Dear Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,

Please keep customer charges at a minimum. I cannot afford an increase. It will adversely affect my family.

Please consider renewable energy options which are affordable and good for the environment.

Healthy families with manageable budgets build strong communities. Please be supportive in this effort and do not increase our electric bills.

Respectfully,

Jana Reparel
1278 Edwards Ave
Lakewood, OH

44107

216-233-6826

4/23/11

I oppose the First Energy
increased customer charges -

CA#17-0334-EL-ATA



ASPCA



Mr. Jeffrey Korach
18010 S. Woodland Rd.
Shaker Heights, OH 44120-1773

just a note

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,
I am writing to you about the
proposed monthly increase in our
electric bill. My husband just
retired and we will soon be on a fixed
monthly income. At this stage of our
lives we are trying to decrease our
monthly expenses and a large increase
in our Ohio Edison bill would be
very difficult on our monthly budget.
We also are very supportive of the
transition to cleaner energy and more
efficient energy use, but not at the
expense of the residential customer
in charging us a fixed rate charge
regardless of how much electricity we use.




Thankyou for reading my letter.
Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

Sincerely,

Kenneth & Patricia Bungard
37498 Tail Feather Dr.
North Ridgeville, OH 44039



 Dear Public Utilities Commission,

The proposal to increase upfront residential fixed fees is unreasonable and unfair. My family is very much concerned with energy conservation and clean energy, and your decision to continue relying on coal goes against what we believe in. Not only do we have no choice in this matter, but now you also want to increase how much we have to pay (by 3 times!!) because you made an uneducated decision. Please make the switch to cleaner energies!

Sincerely, Anika Prater



My name is Ryan Allen and
I live in Mentor Ohio.

I urge you to pursue
alternative and renewable
sources of energy and reduce
our dependance on coal.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'RAL' or 'Ryan Allen' in a stylized, cursive script.

Ryan Allen



This letter is in regards
to case 17-0334-EL-ATA

These days those of
us that are on a fixed
income (Social Security)
already have difficult time
to survive.

Enforcing the charge new
"customer charge" would mean
I would have to reduce the
amount of electricity I
use. In turn that's less
fininaces to you + a hard.
ship





On the elderly & low
income people.

I + is hard to believe
that someone can come
up with charging people
money for nothing.

Lynn Thellman
6900 Georgetown Dr
Mentor Ohio
44060



To Whom It May Concern,

Please don't raise our rates,
Our budget is tight as it is

Sincerely,
Allen Amy Shesky

Case #17-0334-EL-ATA

May 25, 2017

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

Gentlemen: RE: 17-0334-EL-A7A

We are retired seniors on a fixed income. We live in a house which is almost 100 years old.

We have worked hard to make our home energy efficient. We have insulated our home. We have been replacing the fifty plus windows in our home for many years and we are almost finished. When replacing our appliances, we purchase energy saving ones. We turn off lights when not in use. We have replaced our light bulbs with energy efficient ones. We turn on washers & dryers with full loads only. We use our window AC only when it is very hot & rely on fans most of the time.

Dear Public Utilities Commission,

I Live with my retired Mother of 77.
She struggles to pay all the bills and her
pension/SSI is getting lower and lower
every year. It is difficult for her to pay
to pay double the proposed increase in
utility costs. I believe that case #
17-0334-EL-ATA should be shot down.
Please consider the elderly and revise
these increases in charges.

Sincerely,

Steve Johnson



Ms. Joyce Pope
2897 Huntington Rd
Shaker Hts, OH 44120

Public Utilities Commission

Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

Please rein in energy
costs. Now!

I am a retired teacher &
STRS just informed us that
we will not receive a
cost of living raise for
5 years & our medical
expenses will increase.

I am a widow & have no
other source of income

The retired people
need HELP!!

Joyce Pope

Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

Thank you OCA for
stepping up to the plate
and fighting an increase in
customer charge. As senior
citizens we can not afford
increased utility bills,
and for the future, we cannot
allow Lake Erie to become
polluted! Martha H. Davis

Case 17-0334-EL-ATA

Dear Public Utilities Committee,

We are retired senior citizens
who cannot afford to have
First Energy increase our
utility costs. There are many
seniors who cannot afford food
& medicine. Please read &
realize you are not being
fair when you consider raising
the customer charge.
Cameril Davis

CASE NO 17-0334-EL-ATA

HOPEFULLY WE CAN
CONTAIN THE COST OF
ELECTRIC BILLS. IN OUR
CASE THE COST OF SELF
INSURANCE (HEALTH) IS
SKYROCKETING. IF THE
UTILITIES KEEP RISING
WE MAY HAVE TO CHOOSE.

Harry Huethe

9189 BRIAN ST
N. RIDGEVILLE OH.
44039



Sue Korach


4-23-17

Public Utilities Commission.

I am writing in opposition
to the proposed First Energy
increases - case number -
17-0334 - EL-ATA.

I am able to afford an
increase but I do not
represent a great number of
your customers who may have
to make choices between food,
gas, heat

Please reconsider across
the board increases.



Sue Ellen Korach
18010 S. Woodland Rd
Cleveland, OH
44120

Dear Public Utilities Commission
of Ohio,

My husband and I are
entering retirement age and
looking forward to enjoying
a simple life with our family.
We will be on a fixed
income, and have planned
to spend money making our
older home more energy
efficient. Raising our
energy costs will make
that practically impossible!
This concerns me as a
parent of young adults raising
children. The extra money
just isn't there.

Concerned,

Laurie Telbors

17878 Lake Rd

Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

5.24.2017

To Whom This Concerns

* Cleveland Electric Illuminating

Case number : 17-0334-EL-ATA

You cannot take away our choice, and is the opposite of the direction we should be going on efficiency & clean energy.

* The increase in the fixed flat fee by the increase requested is absolutely a form of ~~an~~ EXTORTION. Considering the public has no other choices to go to.

But you found the funds to give the Cleveland Browns Naming Rights.

Enough is Enough.

D.L. Gentile 44120
15755 S. Woodland. Shaker Hts