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Vicki Turow 23842 Wimbledon Rd. Shaker Heights, OH 44122

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Melissa Truax 14118 Ashwood Rd Shaker Hts, OH 44120

December 30, 2017

**Public Utilities Commission of Ohio** 180 E Broad St Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

To whom it may concern:

Having just purchased our first home, every dollar counts. FirstEnergy/Cleveland Electric Illuminating has proposed to TRIPLE their base charges, costing us hundreds of additional dollars per year which were not included in the budget for buying our home. We bought this home with the intent on building a family. Increased costs such as these make our goal that much harder.

We hope to install solar outdoor lights this Spring and solar panels on our roof within the next five years. Fixed costs like this will decrease the budget we have for household improvements and decrease the appeal to others to do similar. How can we encourage people to "go green" if it's not advantageous to them?

Please do everything in your power to prevent FirstEnergy and other companies like them from gouging the customers and discouraging clean energy alternatives.

Ruth Zander C/O Jennifer Truax 14118 Ashwood Rd Shaker Hts, OH 44120

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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 E Broad St Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

To whom it may concern:

I own two homes in South Euclid, one of which we built in 1948 as the town developed into a suburb and which I called home for 65 years - until I needed to move to a wheelchair accessible facility.

Our town was built on immigrants and on those with the American Dream to obtain a better life for themselves and for future generations.

Over the years, I have watched my community grow, falter, fall, and now grow again. FirstEnergy's plan to triple the base charges for their customers is appalling and contrary to the American Dream. These young families are looking for a better life, not crippling debt.

As a senior citizen, I rely on my savings and Social Security to pay my bills. When bills like this increase, it costs money which could be better spent on my medical bills or basic needs.

Senior Citizens like myself are counting on your to do everything in your power to prevent FirstEnergy and other companies like them from gouging the customers and discouraging clean energy alternatives.

Sincerely,

Ruth Zander 927 Glenside Ave, S Euclid, OH 44121 4362 Anderson Rd, S Euclid, OH 44121

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The proposal to increase mandatory residential fixed fees by \$18-25 per month is Milliam Indicrous. Considering the effects this will have on my family and enviorment is upsetting. We our at a critical time in our history where new energy efficient appliances are available and fossil fuels and coal burning are becoming abosolete. Why should I suffer for this lack of awareness and bad business. White Change is also a causation of this careless and myopic approach to energy. It is your responsibility as an energy conglomerate to inform the public and make the appropriate changes necessary. Not mine! I am in full support of the Ohio CHizen Action campaign to transtion into cleaner energy and protect our enviornment. equally against raising residential fixed fees for redundant and out dated energy would have appliances.

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Let's get modern and get going with renewable energy options. Let's phase out the use of coal and the outrageous profits it brings companies such as FirstEnergy and its shareholders. Stop rewarding the rich few at the expense of future generations.

CASR# 17-0334-EL-ATA Thank You

David Maxwell

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27026 Russell Rd
Bay Village OH 44140

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22026 Russell Rd.

Bay Village OH 44140

### Cher Haviland

2733 Rochester Rd Shaker Heights, OH 44122 216-338-6549 cher@havilandhealth.com

December 27, 2017

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

Regarding Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

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It is my understanding that FirstEnergy has asked for a significant increase in customer charges. I oppose this measure on the following counts:

- We are working to make our energy consumption more efficient and cleaner. These charges would interfere with our investments in this area and we are not confident that FirstEnergy would make choices that we would support in this area.
- These increases would make energy too large of an expense for many in our community.

Please deny this proposed increase.

Sincerely yours,

Cher Haviland

### James R Haviland

2733 Rochester Rd Shaker Heights, OH 44122 216-849-9963 jrhaviland@gmail.com

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180 East Broad Street

Columbus, Ohio 43215

Peter Chakerian & Family

26623 Osborn Road

Bay Village, Ohio 44140

To whom it may concern:

Please reconsider the planned increases for different parts of First Energy's service territory. Budgets for families are increasingly difficult to balance. Taking away choice and not adequately moving toward green energy and increased efficiency is a dangerous combination for the vast majority of Ohioans.

Understand that the current proposed changes in charges is tantamount to adding \$\dfloar 13^{th}\$ or 14<sup>th</sup> bill for a 12-bill cycle per year, in terms of expense. A lot of families simply cannot have these fixed rate changes altered without suffering in other ways from month to month (e.g. food, prescriptions and so on).

Thank you.

Peter Chakerian

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As a reighbour of Bay Village, OH, I am writing this letter to marke Known my apposition to first Energy's

Sucorely,

Patricio Tellez-Giron

424 Elmwood Rd.

Bay Village, OH. 44140



December 28, 2017

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

RE: Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA

### To whom it may concern:

This letter is sent regarding the burdensome increase on the consumer proposed by First Energy Corporation. Please reference Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA. A nearly 300% increase in base cost to consumers is appalling and must be considered as a tremendous burden on people and families who cannot afford such an increase. Although this increase is proposed so that coal plants may be retired and non-coal energy facilities built, the majority of consumers are not able to meet such an increase and will likely go without heat and electricity. I am writing to request that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio perform their due diligence and consider the consequences of accepting First Energy's proposal on all peoples of Ohio.

Sincerely,

Kobert Jensen

26701 Osborn Rd. Bay Village, OH 44140

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To Whom It May Concern -

I would prefer to use the money from additional upfront costs charged by First Energy for energy efficiency devices and improvements to my house. Ultimately, I am more concerned with keeping my money in my hands as opposed to keeping a company afloat whose company model is inefficient.

Sincerely,

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## To The Public Utilities Commission,

Like every family in the United Stocies, we We on a budget. This budget is created based upon already set prices and our own income. that being said, and changes in these prices that are drastic and sudden have potential to cause serious damage. If these charges were our own fault, then while upset, we would still handle it on our own with no blame set on you because We caused the increase However, the proposed customer charge increase is a majori increase in billing, with no clear reason as to why. This increase would further our expenses, and with no flexibility, we may have to part corners. Families with lower ircome than our own will have to cut corners. Families struggling to make ends meet may be put into jeepardy, money being thrown into an increased bill that they can't control. People need affordable energy to survive in this day and age so for their reason, I cannot support lase 17-0334-61-ATA.

Ryan Otlawski

27023 Normandy Rd Boy Village, OH 44040

### Public Utilities Commission:

I am upset with the thought that my electric Illuminating bill will be increased. My husband and I are retired on a fixed income, and we can not afford an increase in our First Energy bill. I hope there will not be an increase in our monthly bill. My case number is 17-0334-EL-ATA.

Sincerely,

Mary Jo Michalske Mary Jo Michalske

Public Utilities Commission of OHICE 180 East Broad St. Columbus OH 43215

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Dec. 30. 2017 Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA.

Public utilities commission

Please do not increase the "customer charge".

This proposal would hike our fixed fee to 4x the rate we are currently paying. We already Pay less per month than our fixed fee because we have changed out our appliances to more energy efficient ones. This customer charge will only fund money to the private electric companies without providing me the consumer who better Service.

Sincerely, Ben Onellater

Peter Meehan 398 Glen Park Drive Bay Vilage, OH 44140

Dec. 28, 2017

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

Regarding Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA

I believe our dollars are better spent on energy saving devices like smart thermostats and more efficient appliances.

The proposed change in customer billing, limits the amount of money available to spend on energy saving devices and does not reward consumers for being energy efficient.

Please reject this proposal.

Peter B. Meehan

Sincerely,

Peter Meehan

Dec 28,2017

Dam opposed to such a huge increase in charges. That is extremely difficult for older people, and people with lower incomes, Instead of just charging people more I would like to see you attempt to utilize renewable energy, and reduce our dependence on coal, Thank you,

Thank you,

Mancy Brian

Bay Village, OH

case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

I would like to voice my concern regarding case number 17-0334-EL-ATA. The proposal to increase "customer charges" is unfair to those making efforts to conserve energy and cut costs. After graduating college together, my wife and I made a concerted effort to reduce the amount of energy we used in our apartments. After moving into our house, we bought carefully chose energy-efficient appliances and maintained low energy-usage life style. Increasing the cost of power would be unfair and hurt our ability to save money we could spend on things like food, education, medical costs, and saving for our future children. Increased, fixed fees take away the incentive to make efforts to help the environment and negatively affect our own budget. We are also concerned for those less fortunate than us, who cut energy usages so they can put food on the table. These changes would be unfair to them and take away an opportunity for savings. Please consider how this change would take away consumers' independence and penalize energy-considerate individuals.

Sincerely,

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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

180 East Broad Street

Columbus, Ohio 43215

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in regard to a request from my electric provider, First Energy Company, to increase my costs for electricity to offset the company's reduced income from their older generating plants. I am opposed to the company's request. My electric bills have increased in recent years as my use of electricity has decreased. Recently, I received a home energy report from the Illuminating Company indicating that my use of electricity is in the most efficient category. However, the future seems to be that my monthly bills will rise if the P.U.C.O approves an increase in the "customer charge" from First Energy.

Please reject the request for an increase in the the customer charge from First Energy.

Sincerely.

Peter D'Angelo

26565 Lake Road.

Bay Village, Ohio 44140

Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATA

Public Utilities Commission,
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Matic McConville 17-0334-EL-ATA

## Zoe P. Lipman 23440 Duffield Rd. Shaker Heights, Ohio 44122

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) 180 E. Broad St. Columbus, OH 43215

Re: 17-0334-EL-ATA

Gentlemen:

The 223% proposed increase in customer charges is unacceptable and I must express my disapproval for the change. The increase will put an unreasonable burden on the budget of our family. Further, there is no benefit on this increased consideration; a \$200 million dollar gift to the utilities with nothing in exchange. This increase is a disguised bail out of an industry that puts Ohio on the wrong path. Capital investments from the public must first be applied towards greener energy solutions for the sake of our environment, the health of our population, and sustainability. But for this increase, our household would use the money for more efficient appliances or solar. First Energy must dedicate its power production from proven cheaper and cleaner sources of energy such as wind, solar, and natural gas. The time has come to reduce our use of coal.

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> DAVEN MILLET 310 Glen Park Dr Bay Village, On 4446

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 To those involved with case number 17-0334-EL-ATA,
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Dear Public Utilities Commission,

Regarding Case number: 17-0334-EL-ATA:

My family and I stand in firm opposition to the proposed rate hikes proposed by First Energy. I am appalled that the PUBLIC Utilities Commission is even considering such a break to subsidize dirty, antiquated, coal burning power plants. Ohio should be looking toward wind, solar, and other green sources of energy as opposed to propping up a "has-been" power source.

Sincerely,

Everett Kapostasy

#### FROM THE DESK OF

## DENNIS M. ARKO

December 28, 2017

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

Re: Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA

### Dear Commissioners:

As one who is personally and spiritually committed to fostering the transition to renewable energy and in support of the like-minded efforts of Ohio Citizen Action, I am writing to protest the proposed Customer Charge Increases.

It seems that I will be asked to pay Cleveland Electric Illuminating \$18.87 a month for the mandatory fixed fee, an increase of more than three times my current rate for service.

Please note that I am very careful to turn lights and appliances off when they are not needed, and each payment of my electric bill is a time for planning to better my game.

And now, a rate charge of more than three times?

Please know, that if this new fee were to assist the transition to renewable energy sources—even supplemental—I would not be writing this letter. Yes, I would be one to "bite the bullet" to advance our energy industry.

But, until such an increase in my fee is part of a transition to renewable energy sources, I firmly voice my protest to the proposed increase.

Sincerely yours,

Dennis Arko Christian M. Christ

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ACCEPT THIS!

27889 Lincoln Pd JESSICA KAPOTTOS 44140

# 30 December 2017

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

Dear Public Utilities Commission of Ohio:

I am writing this letter as a supporter of the Ohio Citizen Action's initiative to inform citizens of the need for adoption of renewable energies that will lessen our carbon footprint, inflict less harm on our environment, and limit (and possibly eliminate) the ongoing reliance of by the state of Ohio and the entire U.S. on fossil fuels that negatively impact our environment from global warming that hampers nations to produce enough food and livable conditions for citizenry.

As a citizen committed to the adoption of renewable energies including solar and wind farms and electric vehicles, I consider it ineffective for First Energy and it affiliates to impose increased fees on its customers in support of antiquated energies; especially given the public's lack of energy choice. However if any increased fee were to be imposed by First Energy, then it would be far more useful being devoted to training individuals in clean technologies like solar and wind farms.

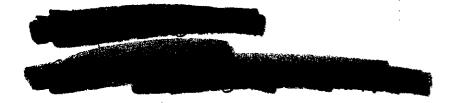
It is also my belief that First Energy work toward establishing rebates that it aid citizens in transitioning to carbon neutral technologies such as rebates for electric cars purchases, home installation of solar panels and programs to sell energy back to local utilities.

So I respectfully ask that First Energy abandon its proposed increase to supplement coal burning plants and instead focus their efforts on replacing coal fired electric facilities for the benefit of all Ohioans and urge their counterparts throughout the nation to do the same.

Best regards,

John Blair

14010 Ashwood Road Shaker Heights, OH 44120



Jennifer Truax 14118 Ashwood Rd Shaker Hts, OH 44120 216-889-3556

December 30, 2017

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Re: Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

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Sincerely, Jennifer Truax December 30, 2017

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

Re: Case number 17-0334-EL-ATA

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Thank you. Triedman

Lynne Friedman 23702 Duffield Road

Shaker Heights, OH 44122

### To whom it may concern

I am writing to tell you that a rate increase on the fixed payment plan would effect me and my family greatly. You see my job is seasonal and every cent though the year is accounted for. Raising the fixed payment would hurt my household budget. Quite literally taking food off my table and out of the mouths of my children and family as a whole. If you could justify a rate increase and give a wide information advertisement to the public saying what your intentions are. If this was for a larger investment in renewable energy and was for a set time period to pay for equipment and infrastructure, saving or natural resources, the public money and ultimately the planet... I would be all for it.

Sincerely

Richard Bagger

26812 E. Watt Rd Bay Villager OH 44140 CM: 17-0334-6L-ATA

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amijaran 27026 Russall Rd. Boy Uillage OH 44140 Carole Bartter 26627 Midland Rd. Bay Village, Ohio 44140

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

RE: Case number 17-0334-EL-ATA

Carole Bartter

I am writing to protest the proposed increase in the "customer charge".

I am happy to pay for the electricity that I use but I don't think it is
equitable to expect your customers to pay for poor business decisions
made by First Energy management.

Thank you,

Carole Bartter

To: The Public Utilities Commission

12-27-17

Re: Case# 17-03340EL-ATA

Your proposed large increases in First Energy Customer Charges are unnecessary, and UNFAIR, and I am opposed to them.

COAL plants are inefficient, polluting, and failing. Newer renewable sources of power like wind and solar that will not contribute to the poor air quality, and increasingly poor water quality in our world, nation, and the state of Ohio should be supported rather than coal.

If you insist on restoring outdated and untenable plants, don't charge your customers for your poor judgment. We are already losing the helpful regulations that can guide your industry to decrease their negative impact to pollution. Don't further the insult by charging us and have us trying to stretch out budgets further to help dirty coal plants survive.

We need to head in a clean renewable direction. And let the coal plants go as the renewables grow.

OPPOSE case number 17-0334-EL-ATA

Victoria Schmidt 2687 Rochester Rd. Shaker Heights OH, 44122

December 27, 2017

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

Dear Commission Member and Fellow Energy Consumer.

I'm writing this letter to recommend you consider the many families that will be adversely affected by an increase in customer charge rates for Illuminating Company customers and others throughout Ohio. Like you, we are a middle class family and we work hard to provide for our children. We strive every day to make their world one that affords them many opportunities to grow as strong, independent, well-rounded people so that they may, as adults, live in an America that is healthy and full of promise. And, like you, we feel every penny that slips through our hands as prices go up and our paychecks do not. It is very important that you do not increase rates in order to turn a profit or bail out failing coal companies.

It is time for decision makers and energy companies to wake up and realize that coal is a limited business. You know that there is a finite amount of the resource and as we move forward to find new, cleaner energy sources your investment in coal and coal burning energy companies will become a wasted investment. Please know that the next generation of Americans, like my children, will reject fossil fuels and will not support companies that will continue to invest in companies that utilize 19th and 20th century technologies. Perhaps it is time to be innovative and proactive, rather than reactive.

Thank you for letting me take your valuable time to read this.

Sincerely,

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case number 17-0234-EL-ATA

December 27, 2017

Dear Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

I am opposed to the planned increase in our power bill. As a resident of Ohio, I am opposed to an increase in fixed rate charges.

We all need to rely more on solar and wind energy, and let coal die a natural death, as it has elsewhere. Clean energy is the future of Ohio.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Gassman

24200 Lyman Blvd

Shaker Heights, OH 44122

in opposition to Case number

17-0334-EL-ATA

## Dear Ohio Utilities Commission,

I am writing you regarding case 17-0334-EL-ATA. We are infuriated by the prospect of the drastic increase of utilities bills by First Energy. This policy detracts from energy and money our state could be using towards investing in smart sustainable energy policy that would create jobs where jobs are headed. The future is in sustainable energy, and tacking on egregious energy charges only hurts Ohioan workers.

Please stop the increase in FirstEnergy customer charges!

Sincerely,

Lea Kayali

2692 Rocklyn Rd

Shaker Heights OH, 44122

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Norm Friedman

23702 Duffield Road

Shaker Heights, OH 44122

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Case #: 17-0334-EL-ATA

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Jeff Sutter 14118 Ashwood Rd Shaker Hts, OH 44120

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Jeff Sutter

John Meehan 398 Glen Park Drive Bay Vilage, OH 44140

Dec. 28, 2017

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

Regarding Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA

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Sincerely, Ulen Meeller

Eileen Meehan

I would like to voice my concern regarding case number 17-0334-EL-ATA. The proposal to increase "customer charges" is unfair to those making efforts to conserve energy and cut costs. After graduating college together, my husband and I made a concerted effort to reduce the amount of energy we used in our apartments. After moving into our house, we bought carefully chose energy-efficient appliances and maintained low energy-usage life style. Increasing the cost of power would be unfair and hurt our ability to save money we could spend on things like food, education, medical costs, and saving for our future children. Increased, fixed fees take away the incentive to make efforts to help the environment and negatively affect our own budget. We are also concerned for those less fortunate than us, who cut energy usages so they can put food on the table. These changes would be unfair to them and take away an opportunity for savings. Please consider how this change would take away consumers' independence and penalize energy-considerate individuals.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Savadelis

## Public Utilities Commission:

I am upset with the thought that my Electric Illuminating bill will be increased. My wife and I are retired and on a fixed income. We can not afford an increase in our First Energy bill. I hope there will not be an increase in our monthly bill. My case number is 17-0334-EL-ATA.

Sincerely,

James L. Michalske

To Whom It May Concern -

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17-0334-EL-ATA

Public Utilities Commission 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

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Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

Sincerely

523 Kenilworth Road

Bay Village, OH 44140

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

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Sincerely, Lucy Scattergood 530 Parkside Dr. Bay Village, Ohio 44140 Dec 29, 2017

Re: Proposed First Energy Customer Charge Increase, Case #17-0334-EL -ATA

Attn: Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

To whom it may concern,

I do not support the significant customer charge increase. This increase impacts the amount of money people have to pay for energy-saving upgrades. I also feel this A is an undue burden on the poor & low-income families

Sincerely,

Dulie lisenberg

Bay Village, Ohio

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

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Patrick Meehan 398 Glen Park Drive Bay Vilage, OH 44140

Dec. 28, 2017

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

Regarding Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA

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I feel that the proposed customer charge increase of is just plain wrong and should be rejected. By my calculations the increase would be about 300% on my bill.

I believe our dollars are better spent on energy saving devices like smart thermostats and more efficient appliances.

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Please reject this proposal.

Sincerely.

Patrick M. Meehan

Public Utilities Commission OF OHIO
180 EAST Broad St.
Columbus, OH 43215
Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

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Pamela Cooley 2767 Inverness Road Shaker Heights, OH 44122

December 27, 2017

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

Re: Case number 17-0334-EL-ATA

To whom it may concern,

As residents of Ohio, we are deeply concerned about the proposed customer charge increases for First Energy's service territory. As middle class citizens facing a turbulent economy and deeply concerned about the sustainability of our current energy infrastructure, we are know that we cannot afford, both personally and as a country, the increased costs.

We would hope that if First Energy is increasing costs so that it could further invest in energy infrastructure, it would be doing so in a sustainable way. Our family supports energy saving upgrades like new energy efficiency appliances or solar. We've considered installing solar panels on our house, but are less able to do so when we can't set money aside because we're spending it on things like the proposed fees. By forcing us to bear this cost, you are taking away our choice to support renewable energy in a direction that is counterproductive.

If we are making new energy choices, we should not be supporting the same tired technology that is aging and in need of replacement. We should be building cutting edge technology that is clean and efficient.

Sincerely,

Pamela Cooley

Claire Lewis 21925 Shelbune RD, ShakerHeighs Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Olumbus OH43) 15 RE: Solar Power us Fassil fuels Dear P.U.CO my Mome is Claime Lewis and I think that using frossil I yels is in bout use og energy, and will waste out exentially. So insteady vising Jossil Frels, we I think we should use Solar bowen Instead of Eastil Frels is because Forsil Irela create a gas called Methane wich smounde the Earth, and orales global warming anotherneason is that ) ola Haner is easystome. The now can the Desla is cleating gust, tike a phone can! The last veryon To that leke I said carlier Fossil Ivels will burn out eventible Then what will buppen? I a I tege My Fossil Fres and ne Solan penen Direcules, Clino hou

# Case #: 17-0334-EL-ATA PUC of OH

To the Electric generating companies in northern Ohio and the Public Utilities Commission;

I am having a difficult time seeing the common sense in how the proposed increase in the electric rates is substantiated or is of any benefit to me or my offspring. The proposed increase will further burden our family budget reducing options. The inability to have a choice or to actually use the proposed increase in funds to actually make our home more efficient with needed equipment upgrades is very disheartening, and in my opinion, very shortsighted on the people engineering this increase. By using what we know to further increase the switch out of used home equipment to high efficient, energy rated devices seems to me to be a better all around solution, in which everyone wins. Hopefully valid information on home appliances/devices that show great return on investment, support the efficient use of resources, and allow our monies to directly benefit us, let alone the economy, could someday be distributed with help from Underwriters Laboratories. Thank you for your time and concern in this matter.

Michael Mayher 26601 Wolf rd. Bay Village, OH 44140

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27026 Rossell Ad Bay Village OH 44140

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CASE# 17-0334-EL-ATA Thank You

Bernd Melster

Emil Molski 27026 Russen Ad. Bay Village OH 44140



# Do not allow First Energy to raise our fees

413-221-9128 mosscom@gmail.com 26704 Wolf Rd Bay Village, OH 44140

December 28, 2017

Case Number: 17-0334-EL-ATA Public Utilities Commission 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Commission Members,

I am outraged by First Energy's proposal to raise the "customer fee" to support their coal plants. That is the last thing on earth that we should be investing in and propping up artificially. My family has invested in newer technologies to reduce our energy usage. We have 100% LED lighting, we choose energy efficient appliances, we have motion sensors that only run the lights when someone is present, we have an automated thermostat that drops the temp below 60 at night in our house and we use the AC about 30% less than we have in the past. When we replace our vehicles they will be electric and by that time I expect to have solar panels on our roof. Do you know why we do this? For our home that we treasure in this beautiful town on the shores of this amazing lake in this lovely state on this planet earth. We seek to leave this place in better shape than we found it and I cannot, will not, spend a dime to artificially extend the life of the dirty, last century coal plants that leave our planet in worse shape.

We also do these things to save money. Let's not pretend that isn't important. By allowing the energy companies to triple our customer fees you will be sending the exactly wrong message and rewarding exactly the wrong behavior that is in our best interests. These fixed fees make all my energy saving efforts null and void. Not only are my savings wiped out by higher fees but you are using my money to pollute the planet.

The utility companies should be deeply ashamed to present this proposal. They should be investing in renewable energies, more efficient energies, not ugly dirty coal plants. If coal plants were so great they would support themselves. When they don't, well that's a wake up call. We don't want them and we won't pay to artificially extended their use.

Sincerely yours,

Samantha Scott

# CASE NUMBER: 17 - 0334 - EL- ATA

FIRST ENERGY.

WE DON'T WANT FIXED RATE CHARGES INCREASE! THIS IN OREASE WILL SEVERELY IMPACT OUR BUDGET AND WILL GENTRATE BUDGET CONSTRAINTS IN OUR HOUSE.

WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO INVEST/PURCHESE EVERGY ETFICIENT APPLIANCES. THE FUTURE IS CLEAN ENERGY AND SUSTAINABLE POLICIES THAT CAN HELP OUR PLANET.

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424 ELHWOOD RD, BAY VI'L MGE, OH 44140

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

RE: Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA

# To whom it may concern:

This letter is sent regarding the burdensome increase on the consumer proposed by First Energy Corporation. Please reference Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA. A nearly 300% increase in base cost to consumers is appalling and must be considered as a tremendous burden on people and families who cannot afford such an increase. This increase is proposed so that coal plants may be retired and non-coal energy facilities built. However, many consumers are not able to meet such an increase and will likely go without heat and electricity. I am writing to request that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio perform their due diligence and consider the consequences of accepting First Energy's proposal on all peoples of Ohio.

Sincerely,

Ann sensen

26701 Osborn Rd. Bay Village, OH 44140 To Whom It May Concern -

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26609 Midland Bay Village OH 44140

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Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

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523 Kenilworth Road

Bay Village, OH 44140

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Sincerely,

Jodie Kapostasy

Dear Public Utilities Commission,

As many families, We are on a tight budget and try to keep our energy use down. Increasing the power bill would cause our family to budget in other areas such as groceries. As a service, I feel like the customer should one, say in the changes that will assis, are, I pelieve that many families are looking into investing in energy efficient appliances and should be rewarded with such effort. Having a \$150,96 increase may be the breaking point for many families who are barely getting by now. It is these families that we need to keep in mind when making these decisions because every samily. deserves to lave power and warmth. Please Keep them in mind when you make these decisions.

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Cody B. Melster

Cody B. Melster 27026 Russell Rd. Bay Village CH 44140

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

Re Case number 17-0334-EL-ATA

Dear Sirs:

I do not support the planned increase in customer charges on our electric bills. Increased fixed fees directly affect my ability to pay medical expenses for my long term health conditions, which continue to rise unabated, and reduce my ability to make energy improvements to my home over time which could help reduce my energy expenditures. You should be supporting renewable energy development rather than forcing consumers to pay for the bad management decisions and excessive overhead of these utilities. Many citizens are in the same boat as me, especially those seniors on fixed incomes and people with diminished economic opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration and the opportunity to speak. You may contact me directly at 216-789-4864 if you would like to hear my opinion in more detail.

Regards,

Mark E. Barbour 226847 Russell rd

Bay Village OH 44140

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DECEMBER 30, 2017.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO 180. EAST BROAD STREET COLUMBUS, OH 43215

RE: CASE NUMBER 17-0334 EL-ATA

This letter is in response to the recent First Energy's proposal of fixed customer charges. This huke in charges is going to eat into my monthly budget allocated for utilities. As with the growing needs of a young fainty, it is hard to keep up with the increasing charges. I have already started to invest into energy officient applicants and plan started to invest into energy officient applicants and plan started to invest into energy officient applicants and plan to replace all in next 2-3 years, but any increase in the utility bills is going to mess up my plans. Please consider my voice among the growing concerns of the citizens of Otio.

Thauk You.

Sincerely,

GOHAR DAR 24035-WIMBLEDON READ SHAKER HTS, OH 44122 PH: 216-832-2964.

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

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I am writing this letter regarding the proposed increase for Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company to raise monthly fees for energy. We currently live on a fixed income and cannot afford raised prices. I oppose the increase. If there in an increase, we will need to look at other options for energy.

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John F. Picken 488 Kenilworth Road Bay Village, OH 44140

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I am very disappointed in this proposal. It is presented as not an increase in rates, but it will certainly increase my fees, and who honestly thinks this proposal will result in the average energy bill not going up?

It will have an adverse impact on my budget. I don't feel the proposal is fair. I can understand why a corporation would try to stack the deck in their favor so that that they can normalize their revenue to gain a larger portion of their income from fixed costs, but I don't understand how FirstEnergy expects this commission to rubber stamp this proposal.

Why should the consumer be forced to pay more because FirstEnergy did not effectively manage the business and invest in lower-cost sources of generating energy?

An energy policy I can get behind would be trying to incentivize both consumers and companies like First Energy to invest more in renewable energy sources like wind power or solar. Instead, this proposal would give consumers less choice in the long run, because large fixed fees would mitigate the incentive for consumers to invest in energy saving upgrades. What is the point of trying to save energy personally because doing so would only have a negligible impact on my monthly bill?

This proposal by FirstEnergy is bad public policy, and as a citizen that will be impacted by this proposal, I urge you to reject it.

Thank you,

Jøhn F. Picken

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This letter serves as our opposition to the increase in our families power bill. As a one income family with 3 children to support, our budget is quite tight and any increases can affect our quality of living. Also, increased fixed fees four our energy prevents us from making energy efficient upgrades to our home, since we will no longer be able to afford them.

Sincerely, Laura Scattergood 530 Parkside Dr. Bay Village, Ohio 44140 Public Utilities Comission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

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Sincerely, Luke Scattergood 530 Parkside Dr. Bay Village, Ohio 44140

## Response to Case Number, 27-0034-E), ATA

To Whom his Way Consora,

This message is in response to the proposed rate increase to help service the coal industry. Coal is a diging technology that has proven fasting negative impacts on our environment globally and locally, and you are now forcing us to pay more to invest in this inefficient energy source. If you have no raising rates against customers' wills, why don't you invest in renewed a cources such as wind or solar power? We is not unrealistic that these energy companies can invest in the future rather than the pact, and it may also aways be differnifor you to lead the way in new and useling ways to "keep the lights we!"

Respectfully, Mason Champto

509 Kenilworth Rd. Bay Village OH 44140 MINE THOMAS

CASE # 17-0334-EL-ATA

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SHAKER HTS., OH 44122

DEAR PUBLIC UTILITIES COMM. OF OHIO,

TIMS INCREASE THAT IS PROPOSED WILL REPRESENT A PRONOUNCED BURDEN ON MANY OffIO FAMILIES.

THERE SHOULD BE A MORE GRADUAL WAY

OF INTRODUCING SUCH A COST, OR RESTRUCTURING

THE CHARGE TO COVER THE CHANGING ENERGY

LANDSCAR WHICH INCLUDES CREDITS FOR

ALTERNATE ENERGY FORMS.

PLEASE REZENSIDER HOW THIS IS BETNY ROLLED OUT SO THERE IS NOT A HUGE FIXED LOST ADDED TO OHO RESIDENTS

THANKS,

MIKE THOMAS (216) 403-3292 Saturday, December 30, 2017

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To Whom It Concerns,

As an Ohio resident, a head of household for my family, and thoughtful consumer, I am concerned about the many rising costs associated with necessities for everyday life. As First Energy customers, we are already paying the "customer charge" on monthly bills. We cannot afford additional "customer charges" you are proposing. We have a strong interest and desire to invest in energy and make wise and progressive choices and even potential upgrades to new energy-saving appliances, but raising fees even higher will prevent our family from even considering options such as these. Please keep your customers in mind and PLEASE DO NOT RAISE the CUSTOMER CHARGE. Please consider my request.

Sincerely,

Kelli Thomas

22470 Douglas Rd.

Shaker Hts., OH 44122

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Rachel Mancini 23526 Hazelmere Rol Shaker Heights, OH 44122

December 30, 2017

Dear Public Utilities Commission:

Turge you not to approve the increase of the "customer charge", the mandatory residential charge. This proposal would increase our fixed fee almost four times from its current rate. This would be a huge nordship for my family, and it's not fair that we have no ability to control or reduce in sexpense.

This increase in the fixed fee for energy is the opposite direction we should be going. We would love to linest in solar energy or a solar hot water tank for our home, but this fixed fee increase takes away that choice. This fixed fee increase reduces what we can save from these improvements.

Sincerely, Rachel Manomi Dennis Bartter 26627 Midland Rd. Bay Village, Ohio 44140

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I am writing to protest the proposed increase in the "customer charge".

I am happy to pay for the electricity that I use but I don't think it is
equitable to expect your customers to pay for poor business decisions
made by First Energy management.

Thank you,

Dennis Bartter

WE ARE PERVESTING YOU NOT INCREASE OUR MONTHLY CHARGES.

WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO RESPECT OUR ATTEMPT TO STAY WITHIN OUR MONTHLY BUDGET.

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To the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

180 East Broad Street

Columbus, OH 43215

Referencing case # 17-0334-EL-ATA

I strongly oppose the proposal to increase mandatory residential fixed fees. Increasing this fee by almost four times the current amount is extreme. As a single mother of two, I struggle daily to balance my budget. I can only imagine how others on tighter budgets than my own will be able to afford this unnecessary increase. Instead of spending money on increased fees, consumer money could be better spent by investing in new energy efficient appliances, which would be headed in the right direction concerning our energy problems. Please do not let this proposal pass.

Sincerely yours,

Tracy Larson

561 Glen Park

Bay Village, OH 44140

To the Public Utilities Commission of

180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215

Don't make people pay more money so you can save a failing coal plant and your fgo, this not worth it. Just use something else. Jou are an inteligent human person, so you have more power is a representative them a twelve year old me has se do semething about case 17-0334-EL-ATA

P.S. I don't want to die of coal enhilations and you don't want my death on your conscience.

> Bye Rubel Mange 463 Parksid Dr. Bay Village DH 44140