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Please do not let First Energy employ fixed rate charges due to bad business decision making.

Case# 17-0334-EL-ATA

Kim Resmck 2686 Rocklyn Rd. Shaker Hts, OH-44122

From/Alison Ricker 83 S.Cedar St. Oberlin Ott 44074

TO/ Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

re: Case # 17-0334- EL-ATA-

Dear Commissioner,

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Thomas Bandy

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Retired and on DISABILITY, I live on a fireol income, Every increase in utilities effects the food I buy, the money available for healthcare and the anxiety I carry each day of the unknown.

I would like to maintain my home, insulate it better and be able to choose the kinds of energy I support.

PLEASE DON'T TAKE AWAY MY CHOICE!

Jacques Rutz

January 2, 2018 Public Utilities Commission of While 180 Cast Broad Street Columbus, Whid 43215 Re.: Case # 17-0334-EL-ATA as I write this letter, the temperature is 2. In Portheast Olico, we experience much lower temperatures throughout the winter. Heating our home es a major expense. We are alarmed to learn of the planned increases in costs for First energy a service territory' americans white should be encouraged to conserve energy and to be as efficient as possible in the use of energy. What encentive is there to do this if such effort has no import on our bill? Flat charges are onerous and unfair. First neigy must not implement increased fixed rates.

Our future should be considered now. We must take steps to rely on clean energy. We must be as efficient as possible in our use of energy, hincerely,

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Robert Lity
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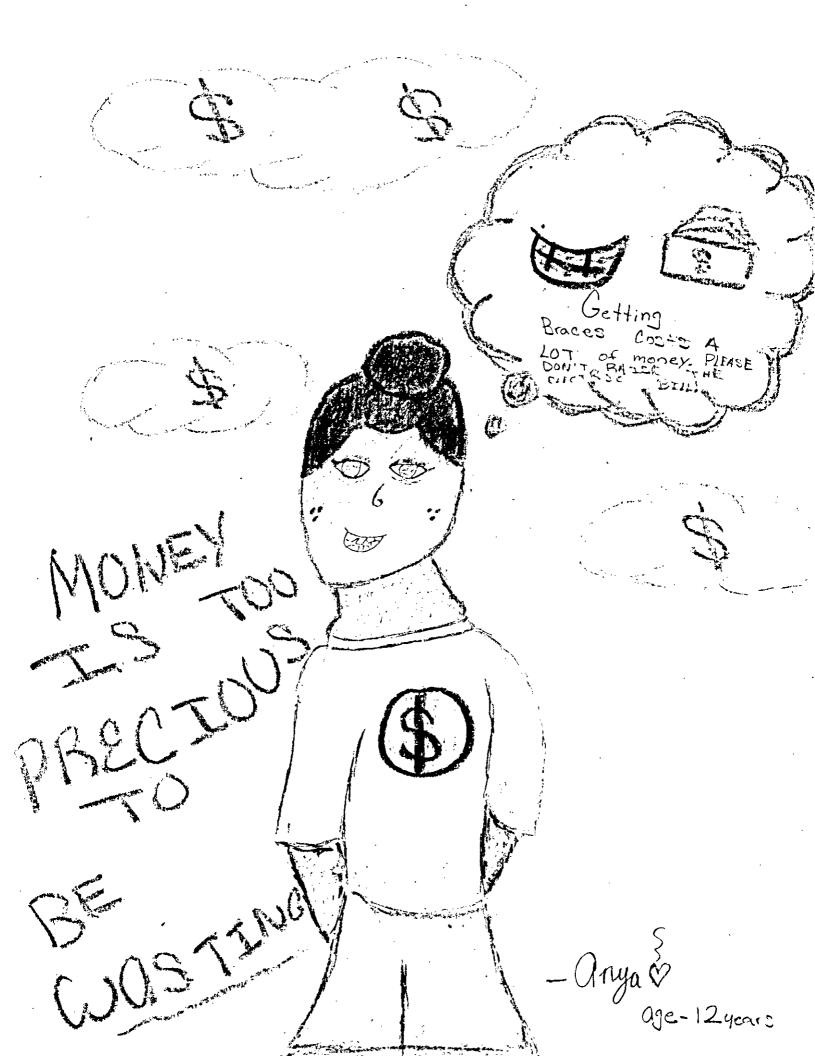
H May Concern: elts almost 8 pm on a school night, and a volunteer has come to my door to inform me that First Energy customers may soon have to pay four times more each, month. I can't even put into words how upsetting this would be, I tried to explain how this would impact things for my children to them,
and they couldn't stop listing things
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have to pay extra for the titilities.
I decided to draw the things they
wanted most My younge ( daughter
chew a mermaid tail that she'd be able to put on and swem with. My older daughter wants braces. These may seem so insignificant to you, but its the little wisher and dreams of children life mine that make this country so great il want them to dream of helping others and of becoming something great in life How do I teach them on this school night that companies are trying to take money from sicher and nicher? One of my daughters just asked me if light bulbs will shine brighter if I say more to use them.

Dear Commissiones, or To Whom

Now wouldn't that be nice?

So, I plead with you to reconsider
raising the electric bill for every
penny you earn will be a cut into
what my hich need - for what all Case #17-0334-EL-ATA 589 Spruce Drive Oberlin, OH





From/ Ray English 83 S.Cedar St. Oberlin OH 44074

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Ray English

Kevin Stephens 237 Oak St Oberlin, OH 44074

Dear Public Utilities Commission,

I believe that increasing energy fees on the citizens of Ohio will reduce their ability to invest in more efficient and renewable forms of energy. Additionally, allowing utility companies to increase fees you are showing us that you are more concerned about corporations welfare than the well-being of your citizens. Please consider not allowing Ohio's utility companies to increase the fees so that we can not only invest in more efficient energy but that shows us you care about both the short-term and long-term well-being of your citizens.

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Thank voo

Joanna Mercado

To the Public Utilities Commission,

I wanted to encourage you not to support the proposed rate increase for First Energy. The amount suggested triples the cost of the monthly energy bills in support of a antiquated energy source..coal. Investing in renewable energies is by far the most effective approach. I just returned from Germany and saw thousands of wind mills that produce over 30% of the German economies energy.

Best regards,

Brian Broadbent

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## Carter McAdams

182 Elm St Oberlin, OH 4407 4440-774-4007

January 2, 2018

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

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

Calos McDan

Dear Sir/Madam,

I urge the members of the Commission to vote **No** on FirstEnergy's rate increase request for consumers. I feel their attempt to offset the costs of the older coal and nuclear plants they operate should be borne by their shareholders, not our state's citizens. The rate increase request is <u>huge</u> per household, and as a newly retired person on a fixed income I resent such hubris. The Commission's mandate is to speak for us and protect us from such unreasonable requests.

I believe our area should be investing heavily in renewable resources such as wind and solar. Fixed fees that would be made permanent offer no incentives to corporations such as FirstEnergy to turn their attention in better directions.

Sincerely yours,

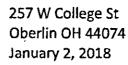
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I am writing this letter to express my strongest disapproval of first Energy's proposal customer change increases. There planned increases will have serious negative effects on Jamilies with fixed budgets. furthermore, it minimizer the customer's choices and options for investment. Without These increases, I could choose to put more morey into energy saving upgrades. These planned increases are The opposite direction we should be taking. This letter is referencing case rumber: 17-0334-EL-ATA.

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Timthy Weis

109 Cypren St. Oberlin, OH 44074





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Thank you for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,

Dan B. Webster, MD

To the Public Utilities Commission of whio: Re: case # 170734-EL-ATA I'm writing to agrees my opposition to the proposed increases in charges for energy in my area. The nearly 3 x's increase in monthly utility charges proposed by First thereby places a geat hunder on families, especially ture who include senior cityens, when budgets are already strained by cost of medical cusinance, care, home care and prescription medication. I think it's far more urgent that the utilities commission focuses nove of its ENERGY on developing more efficient, clean renewable energy sources and reducing. dependence ofe cool while creating jobs and 1 air alternative energy fields. investing in training

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January 2, 2018

A increase on our families power bill is not boable or fair because it is not in our control. Both me and my hosbande have 2 jobs to supart ourselves and our family. We live paycheck to paycheck so an increase is not classe our electric bill is already high enough, especially in the winter. We have been interested in saving money on our electric billby using energy efficiency appliances or Solar fanels. An increase in our electric bill will take away our choice and this is going in the opposite of the direction we should be going towards and efficiency.

Case 4: 17-0334-EL-ATA

Kim Kenney

## MARK JAFFEE

PUCO
180 East Broad Street | Columbus, OH | 43215

CASE NUMBER 17-0334-EL-ATA

January 2, 2018

Dear PUCO,

Now is not the time to bolster companies using inordinate amounts of coal. Solar and wind energy is more efficient, cleaner, and is becoming less and less expensive.

Spending money on coal is inhibiting the growth of better energy sources and is not in the best interests of our country

Sincerely,

Mark Jaffee

January 2, 2018 Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Al, Columbus, Ohio 4325 Dere Commission. In regards to Core number 17-0334-EL-ATA and Feist Energy's proposed increased to its customers, I am Man opposed to the writing to say I am opposed to the inclease and the type of inclease. The increase is high and will cause Raidship for many customen and their Jamilia. and, between they are a fixed rate Change, it undermines the efficient use of energy. Their own mistake in Continuing to use Coal. Clean energy & effecient use of proposal for include. Maryana Stillwell 30 Robin Park Blod.

257 W College St Oberlin OH 44074 January 2, 2018

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El Miller

To whom it may concern -

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposal to create a huge increase in the "customer charge." Case number 17-0334-EL-ATA.

Like many American families, we do not have much extra income. This big, unfair increase will make it harder for us to make ends meet, and I know that there are many, many families in an even worse situation who already struggle with utility costs.

I believe in renewable energy, and this increase makes it harder to get a return on any investment in greener technologies and upgrades to our house. This move would take us further from being able to convert to greener energy, which is so desperately needed for our economy and the health of the environment and our children, and yours.

Please consider your role as a member of our American commonwealth and let this unpopular, unfair increase go.

Thank you,

Jennifer Shults 155 Elm St

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

Many families around the state of Ohio cannot afford these raised charges brought on by Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA in their energy bills; money they would use for other things such as transportation, food, education, etc. Especially in this part of the state, with a relatively low median household income, this negligence towards customers and constituents would prove harmful, and would affect not only their way of life, but also the environment in which they live.

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Jacob Stracess
127 Sycamore Street
Oberlin, OH, 44074

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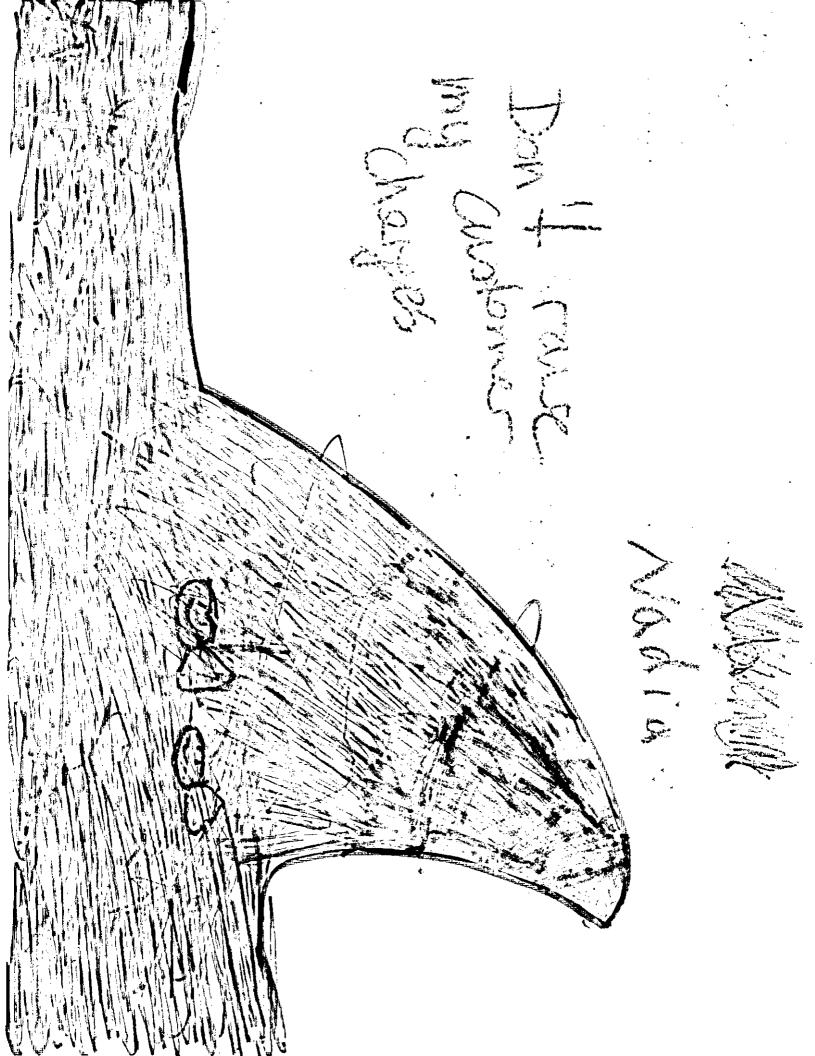
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## Public Wilities Commission. CASE # 17 - 0334-EL-ATA

I stand opposed to the proposed first energy Customer Charge Uncreases. The public needs to be made Jully aware of the reasons' for the increases and able to have a choice and have options that move toward energy efficiency clean and sustainable sources

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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.

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December 27, 2017

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

180 East Broad Street

Columbus, OH 43215

REGARDING: Case Number 17-0334-EL-ATA

I strongly encourage you to deny First Energy's request to increase fixed rate charges to their customers. Larger fixed rate charges reduce the incentive for customers to conserve energy. Conserving energy is necessary to reduce the use of fossil fuels and the production of ozone-depleting gases, which threaten our environment, our health, and the long-term viability of our planet.

This increase also would also have a negative effect on customers like me economically. Having just retired this year, I am now living on a fixed income and need to keep my recurring costs low. I am considering investing in more costly, but more environmentally-friendly, energy efficient appliances, as I replace the older appliances in my home. Furthermore, in the future, I would potentially like to invest in a roof-installed solar energy system through the group Solar United. However, big fixed fees reduce what I can save from making those investments and is completely opposite of what we should be doing in this country and in Ohio to improve efficiency, promote clean energy, and help protect the environment.

I would greatly appreciate your consideration of my comments and comments from other concerned customers as you review this case.

Thank you,

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To: The Public Utilities Commission

Re: Case# 17-03340EL-ATA

12-27-17

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.

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