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Comments:

Governor Strickland, Let me say right off that I'm glad you are there and I helped put you in office. Now, I am begging and pleading with you to do anything in your power to prevent Duke Energy from enacting another rate hike. We have had HUGE increases on top of the extreme temperatures of the past year or two. We just cannot afford another hike. I think I represent alot of the middle/lower middle classes as a working mom, teenage son, husband on disability and of retirement age. We rent now (already lost our house in the predatory lending blow up), have no credit cards and cannot afford our gas/electric bill. It is going to literally come out of the food money. They want \$600/month from me which is 250. for my usage and 264.00 for the hot summer months during which they didn't charge me enough on their fixed billing system. They won't take a partial payment, and they now want \$1,314 by 3/14/08 or they will cut it off. I don't have that kind of money. I was preparing to try to finish college (at 52 y/o) but now I'm going to need a second job to pay for this. I don't feel like we should be paying for them giving kickbacks to companies and using us to covering their legal bills. We are paying for the discounted kickbacks as it is. I have written PUCO and I am pleading with you to step up and help us. We have been drowning since the Bush "dynasty" got in office. I have been counting down the days to 2008 since day one of 2000. I'm scared, I have never been in a situation like this in my life, please help us and do anything to stop their rate hike. Thank you for your time and for listening to me.

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