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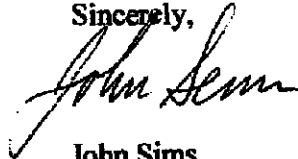
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Dominion East Ohio has recently indicated a multi million dollar request to be done over several years. First Energy is also coming back for another rate increase. Now I realize it costs money to run these two businesses. But it seems as though these two firms are trying to run up higher bills for their customer without providing appropriate services or clear explanations as to why they want to get more money.

Without good explanations, I hope you will reject their applications for price increases. We can't afford higher utility bills. It's time these firms learned to make do with what they have.

Sincerely,



John Sims

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Dominion East Ohio and Cleveland Electric Illuminating want to promote their need for rate increases. Recent articles concerning these requests certainly raise some questions. Given the way the rate hikes have been proposed, it makes one wonder who is minding the store.

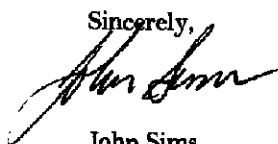
CEI just had a rate hike go into effect with my February bill. But now they want to come back for even more money. Add in the fees they promote for things like fixing interior wiring, fixing furnaces and water heaters and the like, one has to wonder if they've heard of the cost of doing business.

Dominion East Ohio has an even better rate hike request. They want rate hikes every year for the next twenty-five years to replace pipes and the like. Ever heard of working within a budget? Better yet, how about planning for the repairs working with the money you have on hand.

It's time to stop the sick joke of letting public utilities keep coming back to tap the well at the expense of the public's back pocket. CEI and Dominion East Ohio need to work with what they have. Make cuts in other areas to pay for the repairs or work they want to do. Stop stiffing the public by raising rates all the time.

Do Ohioans a favor. Deny the rate increases.

Sincerely,



John Sims