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Sir

I CANT ATTEND ANY OF THE SCHEDULED MEETINGS! P.U.CO. STANDS FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO, HOW CAN YOU BE REPRESENTING THE PUBLIC — BY ALLOWING ^{prices} ENST OHIO GAS — TO RISE \$50 HIGH NO MATTER HOW MUCH GAS YOU USE. — COST OF FOOD GASOLINE & OTHER UTILITIES ARE DRIVING PEOPLE OUT OF OHIO PLUS YOUR KILLING SENIOR CITIZENS — HOW DO YOU SLEEP AT NITE, TO SAVE ON NATURAL GAS — SET THERMOSTATS 59° AT 11:00 P.M. — 62° AT 6:00 A.M. — 64° AT 8:00 AM 66° AT 4:00 P.M.

people ARE trying everything to
cope with cost of living &
you're going to Give this Gift
to Big Business — many
Seniors can't afford their
medications.

R. F. Sobiech
402 WANNIEN DRIVE
NORTH FRED OHIO
44067

How STRICKLAND appoints
you people is BEYOND ME!
Don't you HAVE ANY
conscience ABOUT what
you're doing!

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Attn: Docketing Division
Case No. 07-0829-GA-AIR
180 E Broad St
Columbus OH 43215

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July 25, 2008

Dear PUCO,

I oppose your recommendation to more than triple your flat-rate charge from \$5.70 per month to \$17.50. That is gouging the public!

There is no justification to raise this rate other than to line your pockets.

The increase is more than many people can afford, including me. And there is no way to reduce it as a consumer. We can lower the thermostat but not a flat-rate.

Sincerely,

Cathy Evan

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Ms Cathy Evan
13814 West Ave
Cleveland OH 44111

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PUCO

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CASE NUMBER 07-829-GA-AIR:
PEOPLE ARE LOSING THEIR HOMES,
THEIR JOBS, AND THEIR SAVINGS AND
INVESTMENT EARNINGS, 24/7 IN THIS
COUNTRY. AND NOW YOU WANT ^{TO} TRIPLE
DOMINION EAST OHIO'S CUSTOMER CHARGE.
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO? MAKE
DOMINION EAST OHIO CEOs, TRILLIONAIRES.
ARE YOU TRYING TO MAKE THE OWNERS
OF FUNERAL HOMES, CEMETERIES, AND
CREMATORIUMS, RICH, ALSO. THAT'S THE
DIRECTION YOU'RE HEADING FOR. HOW MUCH
DO YOU GET IN RETURN FOR THIS?

P.U.C.O

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JULY 25, 2008

ATTN: DOCKETING DIVISION

CASE No: 07-0829-GA-AIR

180 E. BROAD ST COLUMBUS OH 43215

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PUCO

SIRS,

I'M WRITING TO URGE YOU TO DENY DOMINION OHIO'S REQUEST FOR A RATE INCREASE. RE CASE No: 07-0829-GA-AIR

THE GOVERNMENT, THE MEDIA, COUNTLESS ORGANIZATIONS AND EVEN DOMINION OHIO ITSELF, HAVE URGED AND PROMOTED CONSERVATION OF OUR HEATING FUELS.

I MYSELF ALONG WITH PROBABLY THOUSANDS OF OTHER CONSUMERS, HAVE TAKEN STEPS TO CUT DOWN OUR USE OF HEATING FUELS.

WE'VE CHANGED OUR WINDOWS, INSULATED OUR HOUSES AND INSTALLED HIGH EFFICIENT FURNACES. THIS REQUIRED A LOT OF MONETARY INVESTMENT.

NOW THAT THE USE OF NATURAL GAS HAS DECREASED IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, DOMINION EAST OHIO WANTS PERMISSION TO INCREASE RATES TO MAKE UP FOR LOSS IN THEIR REVENUES.

THIS PUNISHES THE CONSUMERS FOR TRYING TO CONSERVE OUR NATURAL RESOURCES.

FINALLY, WHEN OTHER BUSINESSES' SALES FALL, FOR EXAMPLE THE AUTO INDUSTRY, THEY LAY OFF, CUT SPENDING, AND TAKE OTHER MEASURES TO ADJUST. DOES DOMINION EAST OHIO?

THIS IS WHY THE PUCO SHOULD DENY THE REQUEST AND NOT PUNISH THE PUBLIC.*

*MANY ARE ON FIXED INCOMES.

RESPECTFULLY,

Robert D. Jones

ROBERT D. JONES
3613 BADER AVE
CLEVELAND OH. 44109-5221

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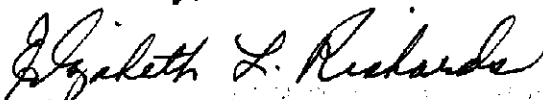
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Requesting a hike in the flat rate charges coupled with the rising energy costs can destroy most household budgets. The proposed increase in the flat-rate charge will negatively impact customers who attempt to conserve energy and will limit the ability of consumers to control their monthly bills.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth L. Richards
1814 Jackson St., SW
Warren Ohio 44485-3551

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Sincerely,

Shawn George 7-25-08
7426 Highland Ave SW
Warren, OH 44481

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Sincerely,

Sarah For

7/25/08
116 Fulton St.
Miles, Ohio 44446

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Sincerely,

Lindy Lucas
7680 Brookwood
Warren OH 44144

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Sincerely,

Timothy Stapp

396 CERRINGTON ST

NILES OHIO

44446

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Sincerely,

7-25-08

Melissa Davis

8501 Black Oak Rd.
Warren, OH 44484

07-829 GA-AK

Rolft + Rosaline
Carameli
35323 Keller Dr.
Avon Ohio 44011

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7-25-08

Dear Sirs

Please do not grant the
raise the Gas Co wants.

We are on Social Security Disabled
and are having a hard time
making ends meet.

A lot of others with children
and working have it bad too.

Every one wants more, schools
gas, food, electric + now gas.

The check will not ~~go~~ go
any farther to the people that
have their hand out,

Let them live in their means,
like we have to.

No to there request. No! No! No!

Sincerely
Mrs. Rosaline Carameli

Retired + Broke

OPINION

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Put the heat on rate hike request

EDITORIAL

Area consumers who plan to heat their homes this winter and have a few bucks left over for food have an opportunity to speak out over the next several days on a \$75 million Dominion East Ohio natural gas rate request.

They'd be well-advised to take advantage of it for a variety of reasons, including the fact that some who work for the commission, which ultimately will approve or reject the request, apparently are recommending that customers' incentives for conservation be reduced.

How else can you explain a recommendation by staff members of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio to more than triple a flat-rate paid by Northeast Ohio customers? The Ohio Consumers Counsel, the state's utility watchdog, opposes the request in its entirety. The OCC says customers in our part of the state would see that portion of their bill — none of which pays for actual energy — rise from \$5.70 per month to \$17.50. The increase would be mitigated, supposedly, by a reduction in usage-based charges.

It seems all the money and effort expended by homeowners on insulation, energy-efficient windows and the like has made Ohio too conservation-minded.

Opposing a utility's rate request isn't exactly easy. Challenging a case made by a team of high-powered attorneys and corporate executives well-versed in such matters, and in how to market them, is a formidable task.

But that shouldn't keep consumers from taking ad-

vantage of a limited number of hearings scheduled on the proposed increase. Those include sessions at 1:30 p.m. July 31 at the

Oliver R. Oscasek Government Center, 161 S. High St., Akron, and 12:30 p.m. Aug. 4 in the Frank J. Lausche State Office Building, second floor auditorium, 615 W. Superior Ave., Cleveland.

Only two of the seven public hearings scheduled over the seven-day period — in July 31 in Canton and Aug. 4 in Geneva — have 7 p.m. starting times.

Sworn testimony from the public will be included in the official case and taken into consideration when the PUCO makes its decision. Customers unable to attend hearings can submit comments in writing to: Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Attn: Docketing Division, Case Number: 07-0829-GA-AIR, 180 E. Broad St., Columbus 43215.

Far too often, Ohio's utilities are granted rate increases with little or no public input, a combination of apathy, feelings of inaccessibility and a hearing schedule that isn't particularly consumer-friendly. Ask your neighbors and you likely will find that few, if any, understand what goes into approving a rate increase, let alone the role they can play in that process.

But come January and February, consumers across the area certainly will know its impact.