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Reference: Case Number 07-1080-Ga-AIR

As a retiree who must live on a fixed income and one of many who has seen taxes and health care cost rise to a point where it is questionable if we can continue to own our home I urge the Commission to deny Vectren's proposed rate increase. To allow this to happen is going to be a blow to all senior citizens.

Sincerely, Carl Snedeker

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By raising the flat-rate customer charge, "all" customers will be negatively impacted. It has been my experience that once a rate is increased, the increase never goes away! This is just one way of penalizing and burdening low and fixed income consumers.

A concerned consumer,

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PO Box 400 Dayton OH 45449-0400 August 20, 2008

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Re: Case Number 07-1080-GA-AIR

I oppose the effort of Vectren Energy Delivery Ohio to increase its delivery rates. My reasons are:

I am among those identified as "elderly". My fixed income is not sufficient to meet my living expenses. I work 30 hours a week to supplement my social security. I have no other pension. Inflation is now over 5 percent. I can be expected to live at least another 12 - 15 years, perhaps longer based on my family history. My savings must be stretched over a considerable period of time. Every increase in living expense is critical to my future independence.

Schemes that remove reward for conservation are detrimental to the conservation of the environment.

The Ohio Consumers' Counsel has provided the PUCO with expert testimony showing that Vectren has overstated some of its costs and investments. (Speak out about proposed <u>Vectren Energy Ohio natural gas rate.</u> ORIG GAS 02-08, ©2007 Office of the Ohio Consumers" Counsel.

Citizens of the State of Ohio need careful consideration of all efforts made to protect our financial interests.

Sincerely,

Elva Barber

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