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April 12, 2010

Mr. Alan Schriber, Chairman P.U.C.O. 180 East Broad Street Columbus Ohio 43215

Please file this letter in the docket of case #10-176.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to request the permanent reinstatement of the all-electric discount rate. I've recently moved to an all-electric home in Ridgefield (Bob Schmitt development) in North Ridgeville, Ohio in June 2009 and was unaware that I was not going to receive an all-electric discount. This is unacceptable and should never been allowed. All persons owning an all-electric home should have the same rates. When I heard of this injustice, I turned my thermostat down to 62 degrees to save money and still had high bills on top of being cold all winter. I was home due to major surgery for three months and I bundled up just to keep warm, from November 19, 2009 to February 22, 2010. I am writing to request the permanent reinstatement of the all-electric discount. First Energy must honor the promises they made to all-electric customers by making the discount permanent and attaching it to the house so the house can be sold in the future. Please see the complete list below of the 6 items that are necessary in any fair and permanent solution to the all-electric issue:

- A permanent, all-electric rate differential/discount for nine months of the year for generation and distribution. The rate differential should be equivalent to the pre-2007 "declining rate" structure. During the summer months of June, July, and August, the all-electric customer would pay the standard residential rate which will help conserve energy and put them on the same terms with gas/electric customers who also depends on electricity to cool their homes.
- The all-electric discount must be attached to the HOME and not the OWNER. This will allow the homeowner to be able to sell their home in the future or rent their home without losing the discount. The discount would

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only be lost once the house is destroyed. If this is not done, the all-electric home becomes un-sellable and the loss of property value to homeowners will be significant. With 106,000 all-electric homes in Ohio, denying the discount to future owners will create a brand new and highly undesirable real estate crisis that Ohio cannot afford to let happen to its economy.

- 3. The all-electric discount must be given to EVERY all-electric HOME. Currently, any home sold after January 1, 2007 lost the discount for the new owner. Also, any home experiencing an account name change at First Energy after January 1, 2007 due to divorce, renters, etc. has lost the discount. Furthermore, any homes after January 1, 2007 that install the necessary all-electric equipment to qualify for the all-electric discount have also been excluded. All of these houses which are currently excluded from the temporary reinstatement must be included in the permanent solution.
- The discounted rates made to load management and water heating customers must also be honored.
- 5. First Energy MUST NOT raise the rates of other customers to pay for the all-electric, load management and water heating discounts. If losses are to be incurred, First Energy should take the losses from stockholder profits since it was their breach of promise/poor business planning that caused the problem.
- Overcharges by First Energy between May 2009 and March 2010 must be refunded in full.

I applaud the Governor for sending you this letter, but I also understand that he appoints the persons to the PUCO.

Ohio has been hit hard with job loss, and tons for foreclosures. This in itself should be a wake up call to First Energy, the PUCO and the Governor to make this a permanent reinstatement for every person who owns an all-electric home.

Thank you.

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