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June 13, 2012

The Honorable Todd A. Snitchler Chairman Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street, 13th Floor Columbus, OH 43215-3793

RE: American Electric Power Electric Security Plan; PUCO Case No. 10-2929-EL-UNC

Dear Chairman Snitchler:

On behalf of P H Glatfelter Company – Chillicothe, Ohio Facility, I am writing to encourage upholding Ohio's market-based approach to assure affordable, reliable and inexpensive energy for all Ohioans. Recently, some utilities have attempted to limit shopping and a customer's choice in the provision of their electric generation. Efforts to institute government regulation and limitations on electric choice should be rejected as they will only serve to raise costs and destroy a vibrant market for energy.

Energy costs are a substantial part of our operating budget each year. We have an advantage in Ohio in that we are permitted to shop beyond the boundaries of our town for the best energy prices for our business. If Ohio begins to limit our right to choose our electric provider and, in turn, drive up our energy costs, we will have a difficult time sustaining our business model in this State. Each month that we are forced to pay above market for capacity costs our plant a substantial amount of money and makes us less competitive in our business.

The best policy for the State of Ohio is to encourage a healthy and vibrant market for electric choice. Please support an Ohio energy policy that encourages energy options for Ohio customers so that we can continue to invest and grow in our state.

Sincerely,

John R. Blind

VP Printing & Carbonless Papers

CC: Eric Weldele
Mike Fraizer
Craig Butler
Sen Bob Peterson
Rep Gary Scherer
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From:

Tan, Benjamin Y. (MPC) < bytan@marathonpetroleum.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 26, 2012 2:15 PM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Cc:

Schedel Jr, Bill (MPC)

Subject:

AEP Electric Security Plan (11-0346-EL-SSO) and the AEP Capacity Charge case

(10-2929-EL-UNC)

Attachments:

Chairman Snitchler.ZIP.TXT

Chairman Snitchler,

I am writing to inform you that Bill Schedel, Marathon Petroleum's Government Affairs Manager, and I drove to Columbus from Findlay yesterday to hand deliver a letter from our President, Gary Heminger, regarding the AEP Electric Security Plan (11-0346-EL-SSO) and the AEP Capacity Charge case (10-2929-EL-UNC). I hope that you will take into consideration Marathon's position on the aforementioned cases before you. I have attached a copy of the letter for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Ben 7an, CPSM

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From:

Rick Wilcox <rwilcox@worthingtonpresbyterian.com>

Sent:

Friday, June 29, 2012 9:44 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Subject:

AEP Ohio Requested Rate Increase

Dear Mr. Snitchler:

This note is to urge to not to allow American Electric Power's request to charge above market capacity prices and restrict the right of in our case, a church, to shop for the best electric rate.

In January of this year, we felt the full effect of AEP's rate increase and the result for one month was a 138 % increase in our monthly bill. Had the PUCO not taken the action to roll back that rate increase, I projected an over all increase for this year of \$10,000. This is simply money our church does not have.

We again urge you to consider the impact of any increase on churches.

Thank you.

Rick Wilcox Facilities Manager Worthington Presbyterian Church 773 High Street Worthington, Oh 43085

Phone: 614-885-5355 ext. 117

From:

Terri Gallahue <tgallahue@worthingtoncc.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 26, 2012 9:52 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Subject:

Electric Capacity Charges

Good morning:

I oppose AEP Ohio's efforts to burden small business with higher-than-market capacity prices.

Terri Gallahue, CCA
Administrator
Worthington Christian Church
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tgallahue@worthingtoncc.org

From: Sherry Erwin <serwin@microcenter.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2012 11:33 AM

To: Snitchler, Todd

Subject: AEP Ohio's Capacity Pricing

Mr. Snitchler,

We were recently made aware of the May 30 PUCO decision to approve AEP Ohio's pricing structure for capacity charges. I find the new schedule of charges to be outrageous and feel the need to express my concerns. This decision essentially allows AEP Ohio to increase capacity charges of all the first 21 percent of shopping customers to more than nine times the current market price. Micro Center falls within this group.

We are a small-medium size company headquartered in the Columbus area and doing business in Ohio since 1979. I don't think I have to tell you that such an increase potentially can have a negative impact on employment levels, especially in a competitive market where cost increases cannot simply be passed along to consumers. For one year alone this increase would cost our company an estimated additional \$50,000.

Please re-think this decision and order AEP OH to adopt a market-based system for capacity pricing for shopping customers.

Thank you for taking the time to review our concerns and to consider my request to prevent AEP Ohio from burdening Ohio customers with higher than market capacity prices.

Sherry Erwin
Lease Coordinator
Micro Center Sales Corporation
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Hilliard, OH 43026

From: elewis2@suddenlink.net

Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2012 7:17 AM

To:Snitchler, ToddSubject:PUCO increase

Todd:

We strongly oppose the inflated capacity charges that the PUCO has allowed AEP to use in their pricing structure. Local business will suffer under such inflated rates causing an additional hardship brought on by this type of pricing.

Sincerly
Earl Lewis
Director of Operations
Warren Community Water and Sewer Association Inc.
17300 State Route 550
Marietta, OH 45750
740-350-5714

From:

gary lehman <gjl727@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 19, 2012 4:25 PM

To: Subject: Snitchler, Todd AEP unfair pricing

Dear Mr. Snitchler,

AEP is hurting small business and all the customer's being charge with higher than market capacity prices. AEP has consistently abused their position as the primary electric provider in central ohio. We need the PUCO to look out for consumers and businesses in Ohio and fight for all consumers.

Gary Lehman

South side Health Management.

immediately, letting him know that you oppose AEP Ohio's efforts to burden Ohio businesses with higher-than-market capacity prices.

From: Seeberger, Edward J. <eseeberger@pactiv.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2012 2:31 PM

To: Snitchler, Todd

Subject: Opposition to AEP Proposals to the PUCO

Dear Chairman Snitchler,

This letter is being sent to you regarding proposed rate increases associated with AEP Ohio's current regulatory proceedings. Our company, Pactiv LLC, located on the West side of Columbus, is strongly against AEP's unsupportable and anti-competitive proposed rate and capacity pricing plans. This issue is of extreme short term and long term importance to our company as the AEP proposals unreasonably increase current business operating expenses in Ohio and are anti-competitive in that the proposals effectively price alternative electrical energy suppliers out of the Ohio markets served by AEP.

Our company faces an unexpected and unjustified six figure cost increase if the AEP proposals were to stand. The increase would be unavoidable for our company even though we had entered into a multi-year contract for electrical power that was based upon PJM's reliability pricing model (RPM). Electrical power is the third highest cash cost of our operation and the magnitude of the proposed increases would negatively impact our ability to remain competitive. Our corporation has over forty manufacturing locations around the country and reconfigures manufacturing footprints according to current and future prospects for remaining cost competitive.

The proposed AEP increases are not supported by the electrical power market place. In the past AEP had accepted PJM's capacity pricing when it was greater than its internally calculated costs. However, AEP simply does not want to accept the current competitive capacity pricing across the PJM grid. AEP is the only electrical generator in the entire PJM system that is seeking the higher capacity charges. AEP has repeatedly failed to demonstrate "need" for the amount of economic relief that it continues to request from the PUCO in one form of rate increase proposal or another. As is widely known, even the Ohio Supreme Court last year found that AEP's accounting for "costs" is not wholly supportable.

Approaching this from another direction, capacity charges are at historic lows. Ohio manufacturers can leverage current energy costs to build upon existing business or to create new operations. Electrical power cost competitiveness can be harnessed to create jobs vs. imposing unnecessary cost on local companies. In brief, free access to competitive power supplies and truly competitive electrical power costs fully support Ohio's economic recovery and development.

In summary, I urge the PUCO to rapidly resolve the AEP cases in a manner that does not penalize our company or make Ohio less competitive in the future. A major step here would be to rule that AEP is required to firmly establish the PMJ-RPM structure for capacity charges. This moves AEP to market base rates that reflect known formal capacity pricing of PJM's RPM and sets the charges in place for three (3) years which provides a level of certainty for doing business in Ohio.

Sincerely yours,

Ed Seeberger Operations Manager-Pressware Products 614.334.3440

Pactiv L.L.C. 2120 Westbelt Drive Columbus, Ohio 43228-0147

From:

Mehlman's <mehlmans@comcast.net>

Sent:

Thursday, June 14, 2012 1:05 PM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Subject:

above -market capacity prices

To Todd Snitchler:

I want to let you know that I oppose AEP Ohio's efforts to buden businesses with higher-than-market capacity prices. I am the owner of Mehlman's Cafeteria in St. Clairsville, OH. Energy is one of our bigger expenses and I would appreciate it if you would oppose AEP Ohio's request for above-market capacity prices. Small businesses need the right to shop and save through unobstructed access to a competitive electricity market.

Thank you in advance of your support.

Jay R Mehlman President Mehlman's Inc. 51800 National Rd. St. Clairsville, OH 43950 740-695-1000

From: Jim Turley <jturley@studebakerenergy.net>

Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 4:08 PM

To: Snitchler, Todd

Subject: AEP Ohio Capacity Charges

Mr. Snitchler,

I was recently made aware of the May 30 PUCO decision to approve AEP Ohio's pricing structure for capacity charges. I find the new schedule of charges to be outrageous and feel the need to express my concerns.

I am an energy consultant and have helped a number of small-medium sized clients get into electricity supply contracts in OH at competitive rates. These contracts allow my clients and other electricity shoppers to continue operations and support a sizeable base of employees throughout the state. For one of my clients alone, this proposed price hike will represent more than \$50,000 in increased outlays for electricity per year. I don't think I have to tell you that such an increase can have a negative impact on employment levels, especially in a competitive market where cost increases cannot simply be passed along to consumers.

Please re-think this decision and order AEP OH to adopt a market-based system for capacity pricing for shopping customers.

Thanks for taking the time to read my Letter of Concern and consider my request. Jim Turley

From: MIKE TELICH -MCD PARTNERS MAIL <michael.telich@partners.mcd.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 2:26 PM

To: Snitchler, Todd

Subject: AEP's Proposed two tier capacity structure

Mr. Snitchler:

As an employer of 200+ Ohio workers, I must voice my strong concerns regarding AEP's proposed two tiered capacity structure and ask that you not allow this implementation. AEP's proposed tiered capacity prices significantly impact all businesses and residents currently taking advantage of a competitive open market. The implementation of this system will eliminate competition and the savings that Ohio consumers and businesses desperately need.

l enrolled my businesses with a competitive retail supplier last summer in order to reduce a portion of our electricity cost by approximately 11% or \$60,000 over 2 years. Although I enrolled under the initial 21% market cap (per the original proposed ESP), I was unfortunately not enrolled under the new 21% cap on commercial accounts. So AEP is charging me \$255 per MW-day for capacity as opposed to the much lower market rate. This charge increased my generation rates by more than 20%! If the proposed two-tiered capacity structure is approved, the higher capacity charges will cost me approximately \$75,000!.

Approval of the ESP with two tiered capacity will force businesses and residents taking advantage of the open electric market to hand over most (or in many cases more) of their expected savings to AEP. This will definitely lead to lost jobs for Ohio workers. I will certainly need to reduce headcount to cover the approximate \$75,000 cost increase from AEP's capacity charges. Please eliminate AEP's proposed two tiered capacity structure in order to save Ohio jobs and allow Ohio consumers to save money through Ohio's deregulated energy market.

Thanks for your consideration!

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From: Tim Huffman <THuffman@HuffmansMarket.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 12:45 PM

To:Snitchler, ToddSubject:Higher Energy Prices

I oppose AEP Ohio's efforts to burden Ohio businesses with higher-than-market capacity prices.

Tim

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For those hard to find items Huffman's has teamed up with a company to order them on line. Check out the link below. http://huffmansmarket.elsstore.com/

From:

Jeff DeRose <jderose@mhgohio.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 13, 2012 11:01 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Cc:

contact@jobs-ohio.com

Subject:

PUCO/AEP

Todd,

We are an AEP customer in Canton, OH. I've been reading some literature regarding AEP. We oppose AEP Ohio's efforts to burden Ohio businesses with higher-than-market capacity prices. We urge PUCO to oppose AEP's request for above-market capacity prices and ensure our right to shop for competitive electricity prices. From experience, being able to shop our electric rates greatly helps our business and helps retain jobs.

Thank you, Jeff DeRose

Jeffrey L. DeRose, CPA
Chief Financial Officer, Meander Hospitality Management



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From: Tom Poulson Tom Poulson@willow-brook.org>

Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2012 2:46 PM

To: Snitchler, Todd

Subject: Opposed to AEP Capacity Rates

The AEP excess charge on capacity is above any cost increase I have heard in my 25 years as a CFO. I would normally be appalled by a 10% increase, but 900% increase is mind boggling...1600% just beyond comprehension. I don't understand how costs like these can be passed on and absorbed. AEPs 10% earnings for the first quarter don't look like they are hurting at all. How is PUCO really protecting my business from a monopoly like AEP??

Tom
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PUCO 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215 Attention: Mr. Todd Snitchler June 12, 2012

Mr. Snitchler:

The recent approval of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) on May 30th, to allow AEP to implement their proposed pricing structure for capacity charges, has led to significant price increases for much of Ohio's small businesses. We are a manufacturing company with approximately 75 employees located in Delaware, Ohio. It is important for our company that this recent PUCO decision be reversed since this decision will have a significant adverse impact on our business, the future of our employees and many other businesses like ours.

As small-business operators, we understand the challenges faced by our community, and the benefits our businesses can bring to the local economy. Operating on very thin margins, unannounced spikes in electricity charges will force owners to make tough decisions regarding the retention of employees, and in worst cases, whether or not to continue their operations. The people who work to provide for their families day in and day out, have had a barrier imposed on their employers' ability to remain competitive in the marketplace. While we are starting to see some economic recovery, paired with the Governmental mantra for all businesses to create "Jobs, Jobs", it is mind boggling why PUCO would make a decision that is counterproductive to fostering economic growth in Ohio.

Again, the reversal of this decision would allow small businesses the right to shop and save through unobstructed access to a competitive electricity market. Too many times small business is asked to shoulder the excessive costs brought upon us by these types of short-sighted actions. Small businesses are the backbone of our economy and as such their interests are just as important as their larger counterparts. We hope that you will reverse this PUCO decision.

Sincerely,

Mark Arcaro

Mark Arcaro Vice President

From: Herb Davis <Herb.Davis@FaroUsa.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2012 12:16 PM

To: Snitchler, Todd

Cc: contact@jobs-ohio.com

Subject: AEP approved rate increase

Mr. Snitchler, I have been following all the activity that AEP & PUCO have been doing with the proposed rate schedules that have been brought before PUCO for approval by AEP. I'm trying to figure out what is different from the last one you approved and the first one that AEP tried to stick it's customers with back in December 2011. I am very disappointed in the decisions that PUCO has made regarding the increases that were approved. This puts us in a position where we now have to look at our business and try to come to terms with our customers. I'm not sure how this improves the business climate in the central Ohio area as this may bring some businesses to their knees. I'm asking that you take another look at this package and make a decision that will be right for everyone concerned and keep central Ohio a good place to do business.

Respectfully,

Herb Davis Facility Manager FARO Services 3275 Alum Creek Dr Columbus, OH 43207 Phone-614-497-1700 Direct Dial-614-662-5384

From: Denver Green <denver.green@ohiocoatingscompany.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2012 11:24 AM

To: Snitchler, Todd

Subject: AEP Ohio Inflated Rates

Mr. Snitchler,

Sir:

As a representative of the Ohio Coatings Company in Yorkville, Ohio, I would like to take this opportunity to state that the inflated capacity charges that you are allowing AEP **Ohio** will adversely effect the stability of Ohio Coatings Business. We are struggling enough with the downhill fall of the Steel Industry in this country as a whole and now the PUCO is going to allow this?

We ventured out to shop for a better power rate and then the PUCO is going to allow AEP to inflate their capacity charges to extreme levels. As a company we are in competition everyday with steel pricing from other steel producers within the US as well as from outside the US. If the inflated capacity charges are allowed by the PUCO, this will effect our charges to our customers which we are struggling with now.

It seems to us at Ohio Coatings that every other utility has opened up to competition, why would AEP get special treatment?

Where is the support from the PUCO to businesses throughout the state who depend on them to make the right decisions to help to maintain jobs for Ohio Employee's.

Please reconsider your decision for the sake of all Ohio Businesses in our state.

Thank You for your time,

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Ohio Coatings Co.
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From:

Chris. Angeletti@kttamerica.com

Sent:

Tuesday, June 12, 2012 7:02 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd; contact@jobs-ohio.com

Subject:

Market Based Capacity Pricing

Todd and Mark,

I am sending this email to urge you to order AEP Ohio to adopt a market-based capacity price for all shopping customers. We are a manufacturer of condensers and evaporators for the automotive industry and we need lower energy costs to maintain a competitive edge in this international market place. We oppose AEP Ohio's efforts to impose higher than market capacity prices on our business and other businesses in our area.

Thank you,

Please update your email to reflect my new address: Chris.Angeletti@KTTAmerica.com.

Chris Angeletti
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From:

Schuetz, Mark < mark@replex.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 11, 2012 8:56 PM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Subject:

Oppose high capacity charges

Dear Sir,

I have been made aware of the recent PUCO approval of the AEP rate plan incorporating new capacity charges for AEP customers shopping for their electric generation at the lowest market cost. I understand that the approved capacity charges are inflated to be approximately 10 times greater than market rates for such charges. Clearly this will negatively impact companies like Replex that have elected to participate in the competitive electric market in Ohio. The very concept of having a competitive market for electricity in Ohio seems to be undermined by this decision.

Best regards, Mark Schuetz President



11 Mount Vernon Ave PO Box 967 Mount Vernon, OH 43050 USA mark@replex.com 740-397-5535

From: Sent: Bie An Tjia <tjiabiean@yahoo.com> Monday, June 11, 2012 3:42 PM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Dear Mr. Todd

As electric user we just want to let you know that we oppose AEP Ohio's efforts to burden Ohio business with higher than market capacity prices.

We just barely survive as small private school in Ohio with this economic situation.

Please pass our concern to the authority.

Bie An, Tjia Business Manager Mount Vernon Academy 525 Wooster Rd Mount VErnon OH43050

From:

NBWCol@aol.com

Sent:

Monday, June 11, 2012 11:35 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Subject:

(no subject)

Dear Sir

I oppose AEP's efforts to burden Ohio businesses with higher-than-market capacity prices and see no logical reason why the Ohio PUCO should not insist that AEP's pricing reflect the actual markets and demands.

Sincerely,

Mlasofsky & Co., Inc.

Richard Mlasofsky, President

From: James C Phillips <James.Phillips@abbott.com>

Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 11:10 AM

To: Snitchler, Todd

Subject: I adamantly oppose AEP Ohio's efforts to burden Ohio businesses with higher-than-

market capacity prices.

Dear Todd Snitchler:

I sincerely urge the PUCO to order AEP Ohio to adopt a market-based capacity price for all shopping customers, in order to support a more optimal climate for businesses and residential customers. We have to operate in a market-based economy, no reason AEP should be treated differently.

Sincerely,

- Jim

James C Phillips Senior Program Manager AN Margin & Profitability Margin Process Optimization Abbott Nutrition 3300 Stelzer Road Dept. 105610/RP3-2 Columbus, OH 43219 Office 614-624-7006 Fax 614-727-7006 Cell 614-558-5309 James.Phillips@abbott.com



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From:

Brian Butler <bbutler@dublincleaners.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 11, 2012 10:26 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Subject:

AEP's Capacity Charges

Todd:

I want to voice my opinion as an employer of 55 Ohio workers that we ask that you not allow AEP to charge us such and inflated charge. This threatens my ability to keep staff when times are slow.

Please allow deregulation to create the natural competition that serves all businesses and residents fairly. After all didn't AEP post an exorbitant profit two years ago, so much it almost had to pay some back?

Brian Butler Dublin Cleaners Inc 614-764-9934 ext 105 bbutler@dublincleaners.com

From:

Brooks, Pat < PBrooks@unitedmcgill.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 11, 2012 9:31 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Subject:

AEP

Todd

I am fed up with AEPs tactics that lead to constantly higher prices for businesses. Now I have been told that Instead of allowing all AEP Ohio customers to pay lower market-based capacity, the PUCO's recent action provides that the first 21 percent of shopping customers pay a capacity charge of \$146 per megawatt-day - nine times more than the current market price of \$16 per megawatt-day. Customers who choose to shop but fall above the first 21 percent cap are required to pay a \$255 per megawatt-day capacity charge. These inflated capacity charges function like a tax on shopping. This decision is in place until July 2, 2012, at which time it could be continued or modified by the PUCO - which means the PUCO still has the opportunity to make the right decision in favor of Ohio businesses.

I dropped AEP because of the large savings that we received using First Energy. A year later, Champion Services was even more competitive, so I decided to sign a contract with them. Unfortunately, PUCO and AEP policies put a blow to doing that. AEP sent me a letter that said I had 12 days to choose another supplier. However, I receive the letter with only eight days remaining. As much as I complained they said they followed the rules and would not change what they did. Ie, I am stuck with a 30-40% higher cost for AEP.

Please do the right thing and allow rates to be market based per competitive bids. This is how our Texas plant operates and it saved us almost 50%. Instead of being competitive, rates are actually increasing by large amounts for AEP

Patrick J. Brooks, P.E. Director Manufacturing Services One Mission Park Groveport Oh 43125-1129 614/829-1265, Cell: 614/735-4144

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From:

Doug Shull <d.shull@transmet.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 11, 2012 8:20 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Subject:

AEP Rates are BAD

Todd

HELP! The newly adopted capacity charge will be a huge cost burden to my manufacturing business. Everyone keeps talking about how we need manufacturing jobs in Ohio then we get hammered with this!

Doug Shull

President

Transmet Corporation

www.transmet.com

From:

ggallo@cbcf41.org

Sent:

Monday, June 11, 2012 8:14 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd; contact@jobs-ohio.com

Cc:

sam@mwncmh.com

Subject:

Electric Rates

Please be advised that the inflated capacity charge that AEP is allowed to charge customers that are shopping for lower electric rates is

unfair and bad for the community. The rates we saw in January will force this agency to cut jobs.

I have two questions that I wish someone would answer: In this period when lower electric rates are being offered by MANY providers why are AEP's customers being held hostage by virtue of their geographic location? Why is it that Ohio citizens and businesses have the right to choose their electric supplier unless they reside in AEP's service area?

Thanks for your attention.

Eugene Gallo Executive Director 740-765-4324 xt 103

From:

Julie Jordan <jjordan@limaymca.net>

Sent:

Sunday, June 10, 2012 10:06 AM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Cc:

contact@jobs-ohio.com

Subject:

AEP Ohio pricing structure

Mr. Snitchler and Mr. Kvamme:

The purpose of this email is to inform you that we adamantly oppose AEP Ohio' pricing structure currently in place until July 2, 2012. We are a not-for-profit organization and we do not have the ability to absorb additional costs. We operate on a tight budget with little room for surprises in the middle of a fiscal year. We have successfully negotiated an electricity contract that locks our prices through July 2012; however, if AEP is allowed to keep their pricing structure in place past July 2, we will see increases that could potentially cripple our organization with the increased capacity charges.

I urge you to reconsider this pricing structure and force AEP Ohio to adopt a market-based capacity price for all shopping customers.

Sincerely,

Julie M. Jordan, CPA Controller Lima Family YMCA (P) 419 223 6045 Ext. 302 (F) 419 223 0771

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From:

Chris Rafeld < CRafeld@Heinzerling.org>

Sent:

Friday, June 08, 2012 5:10 PM

To:

Snitchler, Todd; 'contact@jobs-ohio.com'

Subject:

AEP rate hike

Mr. Snitchler, Mr. Kvamme,

I write to express my concern on the negative impact the increased capacity rates will have on the Heinzerling Foundation. We are a not-for-profit organization located on the southwest side of Columbus. We operate two 104-bed residential facilities in which we care for children and adults with severe disabilities. We employ about 520 staff. Medicaid provides approximately 99% of our funding. There are no increases coming in Medicaid rates meaning that we are essentially on a fixed income.

The large increases AEP is proposing and that the PUCO has approved seem unreasonable. We strongly oppose these increased capacity costs. They will negatively impact our already tight budget and likely will affect our ability to provide the services that our residents need and deserve.

I urge you to reconsider your decision. This will be a burden on us as well as many others.

Thank you.

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From: Toni Phillips <tphillips@rushcreekgeneralstore.com>

Sent: Friday, June 08, 2012 5:06 PM

To: Snitchler, Todd

Mr. Snitchler, I am writing in regards to AEP an their monopolizing the industry. Everyone is suffering from the continually increasing rates from AEP, now when I read it keeps continuing with their inflated capacity charges, it makes me physically sick knowing that if something isn't done about AEP that I am likely going to lose my business. I own a small business in Ohio and have been there a year and my electricity bill has increased almost to the point of being the same as my monthly building lease. It is rediculous that they continue to get PUCO's support no matter how they try to increase the bills, they are alwasy finding away to put the increases back to us. I am just learning about smaller companies that are trying to find be competitive to AEP and feel we have the right to choose with being penalized! Please listen to the little guys, those of us with small businesses trying to help the economy & put a few jobs in our neighborhoods, Please STOP AEP's efforts to continually burden Ohios small business owners with higher-than-market capacity prices. I urge you and everyone at PUCO to take a stand against AEP and realize what this is doing to me and thousands of other small business owners that might end up closing our doors but we cannot keep up with AEP's increases! Please help us, please help me!

Thank You,
Ms. Toni Phillips
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From:

Jon Kundtz <hilliards_furn@sbcglobal.net>

Sent:

Friday, June 08, 2012 4:47 PM

To:

Snitchler, Todd

Subject:

Capacity Charges

Mr. Snitchler:

We are writing to you to express our concern over capacity charges being levied. As a small business, it is very difficult to remain competitive in business. Capacity charges, as we understand it, further causes small business owners distress.

Please consider this our effort to defeat the capacity charge issue.

Regards,

Jon & Mindy Kundtz Hilliards Furniture Company Dublin, OH 43016





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June 29, 2012

Mr. Todd Snitchler Chairman PUCO

RE: PUCO May 30, 2012 ruling on AEP pricing structure for capacity charge

Dear Mr. Snitchler:

I was recently provided the details of the referenced ruling by Mr. Donald Schneider of FirstEnergy Solutions.

Van-Rob KIRCHHOFF is currently under contract with FirstEnergy Solutions to provide energy supply to our Waverly, OH operations. Similar to other companies, we budget our expected energy costs based on a calculation of the contracted kilowatt per hour price as well as any other agreed upon capacitance charges. Based on the referenced ruling to allow AEP to increase its current daily capacitance charge of \$16 per megawatt-day to as much as \$255 per megawatt-day, our operation will incur and be burdened by non-budgeted costs that will have a direct impact on the bottom line financial performance.

A ruling of this nature will force us to re-think both our short term and long term plans to grow our business in Waverly, OH. I respectfully ask that PUCO reconsider its decision and further evaluate the negative effect that this will have on our business as well as other businesses with operations throughout the state of Ohio.

I thank you for your attention and careful consideration of my request.

Shane M. Clemens

Buyer, MRO & In-Direct Purchasing Van-Rob KIRCHHOFF U.S. Operations

From:

Jesse Blackwelder < JBlackwelder@crownbattery.com>

Sent: To: Sunday, June 24, 2012 11:36 AM Snitchler, Todd; Jesse Blackwelder

Subject:

PUCO - electric generation costs - effects on Ohio businesses

Todd Snitchler
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Mark Kvamme
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Dear Mr. Snitchler and Mr. Kvamme:

Recently Crown Battery received information from Donald Schneider, President, First Energy Solutions which appeared to be detrimental to Ohio based operations such as ourselves.

It discussed the possibility that our capacity charge could be significantly higher than what they described as market at approximately \$16 per megawatt-day. Numbers such as \$146 per megawatt-day and \$255 per megawatt-day were discussed in the letter as possibilities for Ohio based companies and that some Ohio based companies might be paying significantly higher for energy costs than others and potentially higher than competing locations in other states as well.

Our monthly utility costs as a battery company are often in excess \$300K per month thus energy costs are extremely important to us as the major component of that.

FirstEnergy stated that we would not see any changes to our pricing through July 2, 2012 but that going forward PUCO would need to potentially make some very important decisions to keep Ohio based companies in a competitive position regarding energy costs and asked us to reach out to folks to express our needs for proper energy costs here in Ohio.

If any decisions can be made to ensure that Ohio businesses are not paying additional energy costs at this point it would seems like the right thing to do. Increasing costs most likely will lead to job losses over time unless those same increases are also enacted in all the other 50 states as well as all the other countries throughout the world that are competing in similar industries. A reasonable level playing field is generally required for most Ohio based manufacturing companies to compete and to keep employee rolls at current or potentially higher levels. In a time where so many states and countries are competing for jobs to be brought to their locations and thus have Ohio lose more jobs, it seem very counter productive to consider raising a basic cost of doing business in Ohio. Rather, it would seem that it would make more sense to find ways to lower costs for businesses in Ohio to make it more attractive to not only retain jobs but hopefully to expand jobs here in Ohio.

Please contact me with any questions or thoughts you might have. Thank you in advance for your consideration

All the best JB

JB Blackwelder CPA, CMA, CIA

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