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Todd A. Snitchler, Chairman
Public Utility Commission of Ohio
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RE: Complaint Letter to Duke Energy Rates - File in Case No. 11-3549-EL-SSO

Dear Chairman Snitchler:

On behalf of the Wyoming City School District, located within the Duke-OH utility service territory, I am writing to express strong concern over the alarming increase in electric distribution rates our schools are experiencing. I urge you to seriously consider the impact these new rates will have on our schools and the educational services we provide to our students and community.

Over the past several years, our district has undertaken a variety of measures to reduce our electricity costs, including the implementation of a number of energy savings projects. Our schools, along with a number of other independent schools and school districts, have taken advantage of the opening of the electricity market. By leveraging demand side projects as well as the deregulated market, we were able to see a significant reduction in the cost associated with electricity. We are counting on these savings to maintain our student-focused programming during the current economic downturn. However, in light of the utility's new distribution rate structure and in particular through the newly created Generation Rider "LFA" (Load Factor Adjustment), the cost associated with the distribution of our electric is eroding, and in many cases eclipsing, the cost saved regarding the actual commodity.

In order to fully gauge the impact of the recent Duke rate changes, an analysis was completed to compare our electric distribution costs based upon our actual energy usage for the period of January to December 2011, using both the prior and new tariff rates. **That analysis showed that the same usage in 2012 would incur a *distribution cost increase of over \$51,000.* That represents an increase of 58%.** Such an enormous increase will have a significant negative impact on our operating budget.

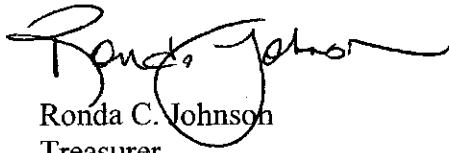
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Rate increases such as these are becoming evident with the new ESP and will be devastating to school districts. These new rates will mean further cuts in staff and programs if nothing is done to alleviate the impact on schools.

The effects on schools of the new ESP are egregious. We urge you to reconsider the original PUCO decision of approval. We ask that you consider a special rate for school districts that recognizes the inherent lower load factors associated with a school's hours of operation.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. We request that you have a copy of this letter filed in PUCO Case No. **11-3549-EL-SSO**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronda C. Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ronda" being more prominent.

Ronda C. Johnson
Treasurer

Wyoming City School District

cc: Dr. Susan Lang, Superintendent, Wyoming City School District
Mr. Todd Levy, President, Wyoming Board of Education

Wyoming Board of Education

Electric Delivery Costs - 2011 vs 2012

Location	Acct #	Rate Code	Annual kWh	Avg Demand (kw)	Annual Load Factor (%)	2011 Avg Delivery Cost/kWh	2012 Avg Delivery Cost/kWh	2011 Total Delivery \$	2012 Total Delivery \$	\$ Increase	% Increase
420 Springfield Ste A	1400076522	DM01	7,722	1.4	61.3	\$ 0.06731	\$ 0.07684	\$ 519.78	\$ 593.33	\$ 73.55	14%
800 Cooper S	1890069928	DM01	14,420	6.6	24.8	\$ 0.04858	\$ 0.05798	\$ 700.59	\$ 836.06	\$ 135.47	19%
33 Vermont	2030004220	DS01	142,640	63.5	25.6	\$ 0.03519	\$ 0.06953	\$ 5,019.37	\$ 9,917.82	\$ 4,898.45	98%
106 Penderly Apt. rear	2740219501	DM02	2,720	9.2	3.4	\$ 0.06166	\$ 0.07103	\$ 167.71	\$ 193.20	\$ 25.49	15%
425 Oliver	3770004220	DS01	230,280	84.7	31.0	\$ 0.03069	\$ 0.05562	\$ 7,068.05	\$ 12,807.22	\$ 5,739.17	81%
420 Springfield Ste E&F	3770077424	DM01	4,058	1.9	24.8	\$ 0.09615	\$ 0.10690	\$ 390.19	\$ 433.82	\$ 43.63	11%
420 Springfield Ste L&M	4770077422	DM01	7,161	3.8	21.8	\$ 0.07100	\$ 0.08085	\$ 508.41	\$ 579.00	\$ 70.59	14%
1107 Burns	5350088520	DM02	21,230	41.7	5.8	\$ 0.04300	\$ 0.05164	\$ 912.80	\$ 1,096.33	\$ 183.53	20%
106 Penderly	5430067301	DS01	2,178,023	550.7	45.1	\$ 0.02190	\$ 0.03282	\$ 47,696.93	\$ 71,488.85	\$ 23,791.92	50%
134 Elm	6160218401	DS01	192,640	55.4	39.7	\$ 0.02680	\$ 0.04202	\$ 5,162.67	\$ 8,094.17	\$ 2,931.50	57%
420 Springfield Ste H	6450083922	DM01	9,017	3.3	30.8	\$ 0.06474	\$ 0.07447	\$ 583.78	\$ 671.53	\$ 87.75	15%
17 Wyoming	7230023120	DS01	618,542	193.1	36.6	\$ 0.02603	\$ 0.04424	\$ 16,101.54	\$ 27,366.80	\$ 11,265.26	70%
1206 Springfield	7350088520	DM02	9,838	61.7	1.8	\$ 0.05069	\$ 0.05972	\$ 498.66	\$ 587.48	\$ 88.82	18%
420 Springfield Ste C&D	9150085222	DM01	13,896	7.5	21.0	\$ 0.05607	\$ 0.06555	\$ 779.10	\$ 910.82	\$ 131.72	17%
420 Springfield	9370088620	DM01	27,790	9.0	35.2	\$ 0.03410	\$ 0.04137	\$ 947.55	\$ 1,149.66	\$ 202.11	21%
420 Springfield Ste J	9960078524	DS01, DM01	62,323	30.8	23.1	\$ 0.04739	\$ 0.08285	\$ 2,953.75	\$ 5,163.49	\$ 2,209.74	75%
			3,542,300			\$	\$	\$ 90,010.88	\$ 141,889.58	\$ 51,878.70	58%

2011 Weighted Avg Delivery Cost/kWh \$ 0.0254
2012 Weighted Avg Delivery Cost/kWh \$ 0.0401

Notes:

Annual kWh and Avg kw from 2011 used for both years
2012 Total Delivery \$ estimated using 1&2Q 2012 rates
DM accounts will not be affected by the LFA charge since they are not charged on demand (kW)