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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
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Memorandum

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Re: Steven Freeze  
23 N Highview Dr  
Middletown, OH 45042

Docketing Case No.:  
12-1682-EL-AIR  
12-1685-GA-AIR

Notes:

Please docket the following in the case numbers shown above. Thank you.

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COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

When considering Duke Energy's request for a rate increase in both gas and electric I would ask you to please consider the following.

My wife and I, like so many of our friends and neighbors, continue to struggle in today's economic climate. We are on a fixed income that is already stretched to the limit. We have not had any increase in income in over six years. Yet we are, supposedly, too well off for any public assistance in paying our utilities. At a little over a thirty-five thousand dollar annual income I find that incredulous, be that as it may. The bottom line is that we simply cannot afford to pay any more for utilities. So I ask what are the folks like us to do? Are we to simply stay cold in Winter and hot in summer? Would you suggest we leave our home and seek shelter at some public warming or cooling station? What would you have your parents do? What would you do?

I am certain this communication will mean nothing to whomever reads it. I also am fully aware of how deeply involved Duke Energy is with the current administration so I am sure this will go nowhere.

I would simply state in closing that, perhaps, on a few occasions the PUCO could look at the personal side of the effects and hardships created by absurd increases that multi-billion dollar industries claim they must have to survive.

I can't go to the public for an increase.

Thank you for your time and God bless,

Rev. Steven L Freeze

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