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**From:** Ty Wait <twait@pobox.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 13, 2016 4:46 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Thomas  
**Subject:** Do not "bail out" utilities' costs from delayed decisions

Dear Commissioner Johnson,

I object to electric bill increases that pay for delayed upgrades of AEP's and FirstEnergy's aging power plants. The utilities claim they're losing money on those plants, and now they're demanding that consumers cover the cost of their having delayed decisions to invest in cheaper, cleaner power, like solar, wind, and natural gas. Such investing in power plant upgrades could have been pursued more aggressively earlier and been done in a phased manner, resulting in distributing the costs over a longer time frame.

Executive bonuses and shareholder dividends are the reward of good decisions. AEP and FirstEnergy should absorb the costs resulting from procrastination, which may affect those bonuses and dividends in the near term, instead of attempting to maintain the bonuses and dividends by passing those costs on to subscribers. Please do the right thing and stand up for Ohio consumers and tell the PUCO to reject AEP's and FirstEnergy's attempts to pass on those costs.

PUCO Case #s: 14-1297-EL-SSO; 14-1693; 14-1694

Sincerely,

Ty Wait / Worthington, OH  
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**From:** Cynthia Poe <bookreviews@berlin.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 13, 2016 11:30 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Thomas  
**Subject:** Just say No!

Dear Commissioner Johnson,

I travel around the state and I see solar fields and wind farms in a few places. The state is large enough (and in some places, depopulated enough) to support many more such clean-energy installations. Please do not subsidize older, inefficient plants that belong to AEP and FirstEnergy.

Those companies can pay for upgrades or redesign for the future out of their own profits.

Don't fall for utility scare tactics! Please Tell the PUCO to say "no" to the utility handouts.

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Sincerely,

Cynthia L. Poe  
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**From:** Phillip Rush <phillip\_rush@att.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 13, 2016 8:51 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Thomas  
**Subject:** Do Not Allow Utility Company Handouts

Dear Commissioner Johnson,

I am an AEP shareholder, as well as a customer. As a shareholder I would welcome the profit guarantees built into the current request. However, as a customer I am extremely opposed. I believe in the power of the Free Market system and feel it is in the consumer's best interest to let supply-and-demand determine if the aging power plants are still viable.

With the interconnected national power grid, Ohioans no longer need to have "local" power plants to have ample electricity.

I strongly urge that all appointed and elected officials in Ohio oppose AEP & First Energy's profit-guarantee request.

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Sincerely,

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**From:** Mr. & Mrs. Briana Sparks <hanesbriana.bh@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 13, 2016 8:38 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Thomas  
**Subject:** Protect Me from Aep stealing for Me!!!

Dear Commissioner Johnson,

AEP and FirstEnergy are trying to hijack Ohioans' electric bills and demand billions of dollars in ransom from Ohio consumers to prop up their old power plants that they claim are losing money. I shouldn't have to pay extra charges to subsidize utility companies when I get no benefit in return.

My name is Briana, i am very upset this year my electric Bill has been at least a 100 a month in i live in a one bedroom Apartment in spend more time at work and school than at my apartment, just me and my husband in still my bill so high!! My dad lives in a house in pays the same i do ! i work hard in in school right now. i really dont have money to be paying this much, especially when i seen my Fathers bill the same in he has a four bedroom house, so not fair ! Stop This !!!

Please protect ,hard-working Ohioans seniors on fixed incomes, and small business owners from ridiculous and totally unnecessary rate hikes. Please tell the PUCO to put a stop to this corporate welfare.

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Sincerely,

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**From:** Brent Perdue <bperdue@columbus.rr.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2016 11:09 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Thomas  
**Subject:** Approve the Proposed AEP Settlement (Case Nos. 14-1693-EL-RDR and 14-1694-EL-AAM)

Please approve the proposed AEP Settlement to ensure reliable and affordable energy in the future.

Brent Perdue

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From: Kate Driscoll  
To: PUCO ContactThePUCO  
Subject: Say No to Utility Bailouts  
Received: 3/10/2016 6:57:34 PM  
Message:

Mar 10, 2016

PUCO Chairman Andre Porter  
OH

Dear PUCO Chairman Porter,

Dayton Power and Light (DPL) wants me to subsidize inefficient power plants with rate increases that can cost consumers \$10.00 a month and thousands over the life of the deal. Older Ohioans, especially those with fixed incomes and no Cost Of Living Adjustment (COLA) this year, should not be stuck with the bill because DPL is not competitive, nor should we bail them out on our backs.

The utility companies have threatened plant shut-downs and have warned that consumers and businesses will no longer have a reliable power supply if they don't get handouts paid for by consumers. But Ohio's power grid operator and multiple experts have said that Ohio has plenty of power generation for the future.

As a consumer I feel it is time to take action. Please stand with Ohio consumers and say "no" to the utility bailouts regarding PUCO Case Numbers: 14-1297-EL-SSO; 14-1693; and 15-1830.

Sincerely,

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February 18, 2016

Andre T. Porter  
Chairman - P U C O  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re. -- PUCO Case #s: 14-1297-EL-SSO; 14-1693; 14-1694

I am totally opposed to my electric bill increasing to pay for AEP's and FirstEnergy's old power plants. The utilities claim they are losing money on their aging plants, and now they're demanding that consumers cover the cost of their bad decisions not to invest in cheaper, cleaner power, like natural gas. Gee -- Isn't FirstEnergy the same utility whose lack of proper maintenance of their infrastructure caused the blackout of the Eastern Half of the U.S. in 2003 ? ?

FirstEnergy championed deregulation just seven years ago. It even threatened to sue the state if the State tried to re-regulate prices. But that was before shale gas became a more economical option. FirstEnergy's old coal and nuclear plants haven't been winning those wholesale auctions that gas-fired plants now dominate. The company has said it might have to shut down the old plants if they are not subsidized.

I am now retired after spending my career in Healthcare Finance and Administration. I started out working as a Medicare cost and compliance auditor. The primary service that hospitals sell is inpatient days. And inpatient days are costly. As advances were made in the rendering of patient care, Inpatient days were reduced. Hospitals raised prices to offset losses. As I am sure you are aware, Congress passed several legislative changes enabling Medicare to do all that it could to reduce the cost of healthcare, and it succeeded. Over the last four decades, it succeeded to the extent that 14 former Medical & Surgical hospitals representing 2,796 beds in the Cleveland area alone, either changed their purpose or closed outright. And it appears that Lakewood Hospital is next.

Instead, should billions of dollars have been charged to all N.E.Ohio citizens so that these Hospitals could have remained open ? NO ! Absolutely not !

**It's outrageous that my electric bill will go up while these giant utilities are earning billions of dollars and also paying hefty dividends to their shareholders.**

**Please stand up for Ohio consumers and reject AEP's and FirstEnergy's proposals.**

# Columbus Building Trades Council

February 22, 2016

Andre T. Porter  
Chairman  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Chairman Porter:

The Columbus/Central Ohio Building Trades Council represents 19 local unions across 8 counties in the central Ohio region. The affiliated local unions represent approximately 19,000 members.

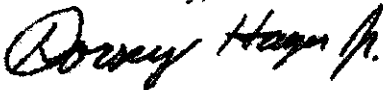
Capital and long-term maintenance projects at power generating facilities represent a significant amount of man-hours for membership annually. Our local union's partnership with American Electric Power Ohio (AEP Ohio) has ensured that these capital and maintenance projects have supported middle class jobs in the central Ohio region and throughout the state of Ohio.

New U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations and volatile commodity prices have forced or accelerated shutdown of many of Ohio's power generating plants. The Purchase Power Agreement (PPA) AEP Ohio has filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) addresses these concerns by providing stable and predictable revenues for its generating plants.

The Columbus/Central Ohio Building Trades supports the PPA's goal of refueling and/or repowering existing plants as natural gas facilities over the next two decades. It is critical to keep these power generating facilities operating in Ohio, to ensure stable electrical service to Ohioans and to continue the significant economic impact these facilities have on the communities they are located in.

AEP Ohio's PPA also seeks to develop 900 megawatts of power generation through new wind and solar projects in Ohio. While our members have worked in the traditional power generation sector for nearly a hundred years; we are training our workforce to meet the demands of constructing and maintaining the power generation of the future. Thus, we believe AEP Ohio's commitment to invest in new power generation, outlined in the PPA, should be supported by the PUCO.

Sincerely,



Dorsey Hager, Jr.  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer