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COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

The issue is guaranteeing that citizens of Ohio have a RELIABLE, FAIRLY PRICED SOURCE OF ELECTRICITY. I understand the CEO of AEP has recently talked about electric utilities returning to a regulated state. Great. The cost and complexity of managing power plants, transmission lines, etc. is a tremendous job in itself, they don't need to have to worry about competing for customers over savings of 5, 10, or so dollars when not running the company efficiently and effectively could get our electric turned off for days. Life has grown more complicated. There has to be concern about cyberattacks that would take down the power grid possibly across the country. If AEP does not maintain and upgrade infastruture, again no electricity. The power outages in recent years due to damaging weather conditions should remind everyone how life threatening it would be for power to

go out over large portions of the country for an extended period of time. And if Congress ever does its job relating to upgrading the national power grid, AEP will need to be ready to do its part in the upgrade. Please, would the State legislature and PUCO let AEP do the job it was created to do..

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