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Commissioner Thomas Johnson

Dear Commissioner Johnson,

I'm writing today to ask you to say no to FirstEnergy's request for the PUCO to authorize substantial, customer-funded subsidies to bail out its uneconomic and dirty power plants.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) already blocked this bailout deal, saying it was unfair to "captive customers." Now, in an attempt to thwart FERC's decision, the utility is asking you to consider "modifications" to the plan which will still result in increased customer bills at the rate of \$4 billion.

Please safeguard market competition and reject FirstEnergy's proposal. Doing so would send a clear message to Ohio's businesses, entrepreneurs, investors, and residents: We favor innovation and competition over reigning power players and political clout. Utility profits should not be placed ahead of Ohioans' best interests, and especially not at their personal expense.

If you believe Ohio should have electricity that is clean, reliable, and affordable, please reject FirstEnergy's request.

Thank you,

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