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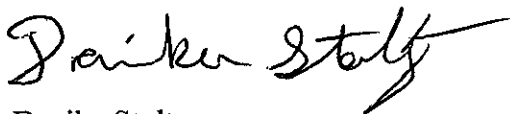
I am writing to address some concerns with the new AEP proposal to increase mandatory residential fixed fees, case number 16-1852-EL-SSO.

My family utilizes AEP for out general electric power at our house. I am a college graduate from 2011 with a double major and have had trouble finding work in either of my fields. I am currently working in retail in order to pay off my student loans, however, I am still living at home because I cannot afford to move out and pay my loans at the same time. Being on this kind of income means a five dollar increase in our monthly bill will very negatively impact us across the entire year.

This type of surcharge increase also negatively impacts our and our neighbors' choices as far as purchasing and utilizing more efficient appliances such as light bulbs. We currently buy these more efficient light bulbs in order to not only save money, but to also to help the environment via less overall energy use. There are many other forms of more efficient and more environmentally friendly energy options that AEP and other power companies have refused to incorporate despite public interest in these options.

I believe that customers like me and my family should not have to pay extra to make up for potentially bad energy investments on the part of the power companies. They have had many opportunities to incorporate cleaner and more efficient energy options and have shied away from all of them. We should not be held accountable for their mistakes. I believe that it is in the best interest of all Ohioans to NOT increase mandatory residential fixed fees.

Sincerely,



Danika Stoltz