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To: <u>Puco Docketing</u>

Subject: Comment on Case No. 18-0501-EL-FOR for Renewable Energy

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## Dear PUCO Docketing Division,

I was at the public hearing for the AEP project in Dec. The room was packed with people who want this project. I met several people from Appalachia who want clean, renewable energy projects - not fracking and gas infrastructure. Everyone I speak to about this project supports it.

Ohio NEEDS to expand our solar and wind projects - we are way behind other states. Last year TX generated 27% of its energy from solar and wind and Iowa was 43%. Ohio was 3%. That is terrible and needs to change! I?m thrilled that AEP is stepping up with a project like this- it will bring good jobs to Ohio and lower our energy costs. I hope that more companies do this! We do not have a lot of time- we NEED to act on climate change now! We NEED to stop burning fossil fuels, and fracking (which releases large amounts of methane and pollutes our air, land and water). We have alternatives to fossil fuels and this AEP project will help us move forward. Ohio NEEDS to develop a thoughtful, comprehensive energy policy and we NEED to embrace and drastically expand clean, renewable energy generation in our state.

Please listen to Ohioans, who overwhelmingly support this project, and approve it quickly. Thank you.

I am writing to urge you to support AEP's proposed renewable projects (and ask that my comment be docketed in Case No. 18-0501-EL-FOR). We need the jobs that these projects will bring to our communities, we want cleaner air and water for our families, and we want to benefit from the lower energy costs that come with renewable development.

Ohio has fallen behind neighboring states like Michigan and Indiana. You can help to change that by supporting these projects and helping Ohio to become a clean energy leader in the region.

I urge you to find that there is an urgent need for the AEP renewable energy projects and to approve them.

Sincerely,

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