From: PUCO Consumer Call Center

To: <u>Puco Docketing</u>

Subject: PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO - CASE #: 00768880 [ref:_00Dt0GzXt._5008y4lrfn:ref]

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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO Consumer Service Division Memorandum

CASE ID: 00768880

COMPANY:

CUSTOMER: Richard Green

ADDRESS: 7461 Gardenview Place, Dublin, Ohio 43016

SERVICE ADDRESS: 7461 Gardenview Place, Dublin, Ohio 43016

AIQ: Columbia Gas of Ohio

NIQ: 6143363228

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DOCKETING CASE #: 21-GA-0637-AIR

SUBJECT: Columbia Gas of Ohio - Rates & Tariffs

Please docket the associated customer comment and/or attached in the case number referenced above under "Public Comments". This information was received by the Consumer Services Division through alternate channels and is being forwarded to be filed formally. This information is not the opinion of Staff and should not be viewed as such.

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----- Original Message -----

From: Rick Green [rgreenart@hotmail.com]

Sent: 7/25/2022 10:53 AM

To: contactthepuco@puco.ohio.gov

Subject: Re: PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO - Case #: 00768880 [

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Finally, her is a direct quote from the president of the Columbus Urban League which shows how AEP Ohio manages their money:

"IMPACT Community Action required those who showed up for gift cards to show and ID and an AEP Ohio bill that matched the name on the ID.

The Columbus Urban League is requiring people to upload a photo of their IDs so that zip codes can be cross-referenced with the outage areas.

But Hightower admits that is not a fool-proof process.

"This is about the honor system," she said. "If you lost power, and you lost food, or you had to go to a hotel, or you had to go live with somebody else for a couple of days, we're going to take people at their word. And there are always going to be some bad apples out there, bad actors, who are going to try to take advantage of the system, but you know what, none of us have time to really try to figure that out."

Thank you for putting this letter on the docket.

Richard Green

Sent from my iPad



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Sincerely,

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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Service Monitoring and Enforcement Department Lead Customer Service Investigator (800) 686-PUCO (7826) www.PUCO.ohio.gov

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Finally, the puco employee also said to try to get the law changed to contact my state representative. I did call my representative Beth Liston 3times and each time I was sent to voicemail. I let a message 5 days ago and she has never, nor her office, has responded.

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Summary: Public Comment of Richard Green, via website, electronically filed by Docketing Staff on behalf of Docketing