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**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO  
Consumer Service Division  
Memorandum**

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**CASE ID:** 00816802  
**CUSTOMER:** Sarah Windland  
**ADDRESS:** 2987 Voeller Circle, Grove City, Ohio 43123  
**AIQ:** Ohio Power Company  
**NIQ:** 6146336139

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**DOCKETING CASE #: 23-0023-EL-SSO**

**SUBJECT:** Ohio Power Company - Protest Rate Case

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Description: As a private company offering a utility to the public while being regulated by the state, AEP Ohio has a responsibility to ensure its service is available to the public. Part of this responsibility is to ensure the upkeep of its infrastructure and provide sound planning for the future. With gross profits in the BILLIONS, how is it that American Electric Power is appealing to the state to allow it to place its burden of upkeep and expansion onto the public? How can there be BILLIONS in gross profit while at the same time claiming the necessity of raising rates to offset the cost of generating their product? Surely, this is poor management at best, nonfeasance at worst. Instead of raising rates on customers

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who have no choice but to utilize this public utility, Energy Choice Ohio notwithstanding, how about reinvesting some of the profit back into the company? How many billions in profits is made by AEP?

-American Electric Power gross profit for the twelve months ending March 31, 2023 was \$12.434B, a 6.3% increase year-over-year.

-American Electric Power annual gross profit for 2022 was \$12.542B, a 10.74% increase from 2021.

-American Electric Power annual gross profit for 2021 was \$11.326B, a 7.36% increase from 2020.

-American Electric Power annual gross profit for 2020 was \$10.549B, a 0.89% increase from 2019.

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Put your hand in your own pockets, AEP, before putting your hands in ours.

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