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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Robert Pecquet
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 9:33 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here

Mar 6, 2020

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Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Pecquet

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Darren Ramsey
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
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Mr. Darren Ramsey

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Bruce Weitz
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Mr. Bruce Weitz

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Glenda Williams
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 10:03 AM
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Subject: Please stop Unfair Rate Hikes

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Ms. Lisa Kennedy

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of paul babelay
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 10:33 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Rate hike unfair and unwarranted

Mar 6, 2020

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To whom it may concern:

I could repeat facts and figures - you already know them. I could voice my personal complaints - you've heard them. So let's just say it...

You're making plenty already. Do the right thing, and charge a fair price. We already pay too much Please drop the proposed hike, and instead, how about giving your faithful customers a reward... a "thank you" for paying our bills faithfully.

How about a 4% reduction. Is that so ridiculous?

What a concept. You reward us, help us, recognize us, for making YOU money. Might go a long way in improving your image in the community. Which currently, is pretty low.

Sincerely,
Paul Babelay.

PS I have every bill for the past 15 years at my current residence. Interesting.

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Sincerely,

Mr. paul babelay
55 heritage mtn place
fairview, NC 28730
(828) 542-0361

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Please continue to fight for reasonable rates for us.

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Mr. paul babelay
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fairview, NC 28730
(828) 542-0361
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Mrs. Becky Estes

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Michael Roberson
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
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Subject: Unfair Rate Hike

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Mr. Michael Roberson

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Sandra Hartford
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 11:03 AM
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Subject: Oppose Duke Energy Progress Rate Hike

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Mrs. Sandra Hartford

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Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 11:33 AM
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Subject: where will it end with these hikes to fix things that should not be my responsibility.

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Dear Utilities Commission,

When I researched places to live I found NC to be a lower cost of living which would help with my limited senior income. BUT I am paying much more for energy here than I did on the West Coast which is known for being among the highest in the nation. Something's wrong. People have less income here but pay more??

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Wilbur Thomas
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 11:34 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here

Mar 6, 2020

NC Utilities Commission

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I might add that many customers are on fixed incomes which make it especially difficult to maintain a living budget that has little room for such increases. And for the reasons put forth.

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Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Elizabeth Garber
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 10:03 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Utilities Commission

Mar 6, 2020

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Sincerely,

Ms. Elizabeth Garber

Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Kimberly Earp
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 8:33 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Don't Turn Out the Lights

Mar 6, 2020

NC Utilities Commission

Dear Utilities Commission,

When it comes to our electricity, I want to pay for the actual energy I use without unfair shifts in cost being proposed by Duke which would hike our rates. My husband and I have looked at ranch homes throughout the Piedmont Area of NC due to our needs to have better access to home, work and medical facilities. I worked in Rocky Mount, NC for 2 years as a nurse, driving 1-2 hours one way to work because we could not afford the utilities bill in Rocky Mount at more than 3 times the our current rate. We also looked at homes in Clayton and Johnston County but had to cancel a showing after investigating a home because it is in the city of Clayton and the utilities and taxes are 2-3 times what we are currently paying.

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Again, Don't Turn Out the Lights! Be part of the solution not the problem.

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Kimberly Earp
1021 Snow Peak Court
Raleigh, NC 27603
(919) 818-7450
kpearp@gmail.com

Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Jamie Sullivan
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 5, 2020 7:02 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Why should I subsidize shareholder returns?

Mar 5, 2020

NC Utilities Commission

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jamie Sullivan

Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Patrick Doyle
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 5, 2020 7:02 PM
To: Statements
Subject: PUC Commissioners

Mar 5, 2020

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Mr. Patrick Doyle

Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of William L and Mrs.Gunilla M Alford <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Saturday, March 7, 2020 9:35 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here

Mar 7, 2020

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Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Billie Goodman
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Saturday, March 7, 2020 11:05 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Duke has enough \$\$\$\$

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Mrs. Billie Goodman

Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of SARITA HARKNESS
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Saturday, March 7, 2020 11:20 AM
To: Statements
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Mrs. SARITA HARKNESS

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Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Quince Reynolds
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Saturday, March 7, 2020 11:20 AM
To: Statements
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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Kimberly Whitmire
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Saturday, March 7, 2020 11:35 AM
To: Statements
Subject: No Rate Hike

Mar 7, 2020

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Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Alberta Chalileh
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Saturday, March 7, 2020 11:50 AM
To: Statements
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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Elizabeth Radtke
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Saturday, March 7, 2020 3:45 PM
To: Statements
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Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of d pal singh-kahlon
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Saturday, March 7, 2020 9:46 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Target Letter Subject Line Goes HereIn the age of solars...energy conservation, this increase in rates is uncalled for.

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Sincerely,

Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Nancy Bellamy
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 1:38 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here

Mar 8, 2020

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Mrs. Nancy Bellamy

Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Karen Takas
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 2:07 PM
To: Statements
Subject: I SAY "NO" TO UNFAIR RATE HIKES!

Mar 8, 2020

NC Utilities Commission

Dear Utilities Commission,

When it comes to our electricity, I want to pay for the actual energy I use without unfair shifts in cost being proposed by Duke which would hike our rates. I had nothing to do with the coal ash issue so I don't want to pay for it.

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Ms. Karen Takas

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Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Carol Yeazell
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 2:08 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Being billed for the actual energy I need is my responsibility, but nothing more.

Mar 8, 2020

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Sincerely,
Carol Yeazell
520 Crowfields Ln.
Asheville, NC. 28803

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Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Brent Hill
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 9:08 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here

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Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Susan Thornbrough
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 11:47 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Do Not Raise our Rates!

Mar 8, 2020

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Mrs. Susan Thornbrough

Conyers, Tamika

From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of William Gladstone
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Monday, March 9, 2020 12:08 AM
To: Statements
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Mar 8, 2020

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Sincerely,

Mr. William Gladstone

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of CR Spence
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 2:33 PM
To: Statements
Subject: We Have PAID WHILE THIS FAT CAT FOR YEARS. Time for stock holders to PAY . NOT CONSUMER

Mar 6, 2020

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Janeen Veglahn
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 1:34 PM
To: Statements
Subject: I don't want to pay for Duke Energy mistakes

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Jim Lieb
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Saturday, March 7, 2020 10:05 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Consumers are getting squeezed from future infrastructure upgrade charges, coal-ash cleanup charges and Duke Energy's bumbli...

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Albert Henderson
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 6:48 PM
To: Statements
Subject: when is enough. Enough? We, your captured consumers can stand but so much.

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of W. D. Jones
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 7:46 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Unreasonable and excessive

Mar 8, 2020

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From: AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Rodney White
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 10:47 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Barely afford rates as they are now!

Mar 8, 2020

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Dear Utilities Commission,

Working class people, the poor, and many retirees cannot or barely afford the current rates! Think about young families with several children. Family are still a big part of the glue of our society.

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<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 1:08 PM
To: Statements
Subject: To whom it may concern: Adding this hardship to an already restricted budget in terms of income for me and alot of other famil...

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