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Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 11:23 AM
To: Statements
Subject: Docket No. E-2, SUB 1219

Duke Progress Energy should not be allowed to increase rates to pay for coal ash cleanup. Coal ash cleanup is their own mistake, and customers should not have to pay for it. If Duke Energy is allowed to increase rates every time they cause a disaster for people living in Asheville and nearby counties, decision makers at Duke Energy will not experience the consequences of their own actions. We should not reward irresponsible behavior.

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From: Joanna Stockton <jostockton@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 12:53 PM
To: Statements
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Duke Energy Progress rates are too high. I would prefer to have cheaper and cleaner more affordable energy as in solar energy. North Carolina is one of the states producing the most solar energy, so why doesn't Duke provide it?

Joanna Stockton

Green, Erica

From: Kyle Cornish <kmcornish@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:12 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Docket No. E-2, SUB 1219

Greetings,

Duke Energy should not be allowed to charge North Carolinians more money, especially during a global pandemic while unemployment is skyrocketing, to clean up their messes created by coal ash and polluting fossil fuels. It is unethical for Duke Energy to offload their fiscal responsibilities to their customer base while operating as a monopoly across the majority of the North Carolina. Furthermore, Duke Energy would use this money to increase profits for investors while ignoring the demands of North Carolinians for clean energy solutions such as solar. I hope that you will NOT allow Duke to increase rates for working class North Carolinians, now or ever!

Sincerely,
Kyle

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:33 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by V.L. Brandt

Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

Duke Energy is asking to raise rates to pay for its disastrous coal-ash spill and to lock us into paying for outdated fossil fuel infrastructure. The rate case is delayed, but it's not gone. It's unconscionable to place the burden of reliance on the dirtiest fuels onto the community, particularly during a time when those communities are more vulnerable economically due to Covid19 (whose effects are evidently made worse by air pollution, to add injury to insult). Duke Energy needs to buckle down, take responsibility for its myopic reliance on fossil fuels, and lead the way in developing green energy sources.

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:44 PM
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Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

the leadership of duke energy clearly is 100 % about corporate prophet, the falsification of pits long record of subverting alternative energy at every turn, its willingness to destroy the planets biosphere for money. there is no more corrupt, moe "evil" corporation. please stop them. who else can?

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:45 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by Sydney Gallek

Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

Take responsibility for your own actions. We will not pay for you to pollute our air.

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:46 PM
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Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

Duke Energy is proposing continuation of old technology electrical production. It should be asking for money to develop solar (more than its mere 3% it is proposing). In addition, it should clean up its own mess and not put their mistakes on the backs of rate payers, many of whom cannot afford the increasing electric rates. Duke needs to get with the 21st century. Refuse their rate hike request.

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Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:48 PM
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Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

"Duke's demanded rate increase is unjustified and must be denied. Mismanagement resulting in environmental damage such as a coal-ash spill is the responsibility of Duke management, its board, and its shareholders and is neither the fault of nor the responsibility of the rate-payers. There is no justification for raising rates based on grid improvements either. Grid improvements can easily be paid for through Duke closing down fossil fuel plants and transitioning to solar photovoltaics and wind for electrical generation. At the current time Duke can buy the land, buy the solar panels, buy all the equipment to support the panels, buy the required battery storage equipment needed for 24x7 capability, buy the installation, buy all the grid connectivity required, all this, for less than the cost of just the coal to run Duke's existing (if antiquated) coal fired plants. Renewables not only cost less, for Duke and the rate payers, but are also far cleaner and eliminate the possibility of yet another costly environmental disaster -- solar photovoltaic arrays do not create coal-ash waste, or indeed any waste that Duke has to handle or transport, so all the stakeholders benefit, from the rate-payers to the stockholders. It's fairly clear that Duke wants a rate increase simply to increase the size of Duke's financial holdings and thus increase the size of executive bonuses. But that's not what the Utilities Commission is for. The Utilities Commission is supposed to protect the rate-payers from the public utility's desire to abuse its monopoly position. This is a case in point. Duke's demand for a rate increase is unjustified and must be denied. "

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:49 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by Ernest Boyd

Statement of Position Submitted

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Duke has been ripping us off as long as I can remember (which is a pretty long time--I remember Asheville when we did not have a coal-fired plant belching its poison into our air). It is time for a change. A good start would be for Duke's shareholders and bosses to pay for all the stupid mistakes the company made. As things stand now, there is no accountability. We rate payers just cover every disaster--coal ash, unneeded pipelines, you name it.

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:51 PM
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Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by Peter Brezny

Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

The Duke power monopoly must not be granted any rate increases until they have fully cleaned up their environmental contamination and implemented a plan for 100% renewable energy before 2030 (they can start by paying micro power producers market value for their power with NO FEES, which now cost micro power producers more than Duke pays for the power they produce!

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:52 PM
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Statement of Position Submitted

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As a Duke customer just barely covering my family's bills, I feel this is the worst time to raise rates, and I am disgusted with Duke's attempt to raise rates at any point to fund coal ash clean-up. Coal ash pollution and contamination is a direct result of your corporation's inability to maintain a high standard for public health and environmental safety. It should be the corporation's responsibility to finance clean-up, even if it comes at a cost to shareholders. Shareholders have the opportunity to keep Duke accountable to better standards, and if they fail to care or do so, and they receive fewer dividends due to clean-up costs, that is their loss. Customers who are already dealing with contamination of their soil and water should be the LAST people to have to pay rate hikes, but that is what will happen if Duke fails to take responsibility appropriately.

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:54 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by Barbara G Coulson

Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

Monopolies such as Duke are profitable, don't need ratepayers to subsidize them, and bend capitalism to their advantage by failing to pay for their own actions. All the rest of us do: why not Duke? If you 'mess up' you pay for it. You shouldn't expect ratepayers to subsidize a polluting industry; it would be far better to convert your plants to renewable energy and stop continuing to poison the atmosphere so we can all breathe a little better.

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:58 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by Julia Hartman

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Message

As a private company that pays dividends to its shareholders, Duke should be held responsible for its actions. Shareholders who have been financially rewarded for Duke's past actions should be aware that investing also risks a loss. Duke's customers have had no say in Duke's actions and should not be penalized with higher rates simply due to poor management.

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Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 2:59 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by Donna Bullock

Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

Enough is enough!

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 3:00 PM
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Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

As a customer, we are tired of Duke Progress's escalating rates to pay for their irresponsible spills , clean up, & wanting to continue with fossil fuels & start fracking in beautiful NC. We cannot afford this at any time, but especially during this pandemic when our bills are more outrageous because of being stuck in the house. Our bill runs \$77/mo, but now it's \$118 this mo!!! We want a competitor so there's a better, less expensive choice & responsible to the environment as well!!!!

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 3:02 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by Sammy Osmond

Statement of Position Submitted

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Duke Energy should not be allowed to charge its rate payers for its negligence and the harm it has caused.

Green, Erica

From: Marston Blow <ceramicsong@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 5:24 PM
To: Statements
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Duke Energy has sent millions in profits to shareholders instead of cleaning up toxic coal ash spills. They need to pay for it not taxpayers. They need to be responsible and we need to keep them to it. Do not allow a rate increase for Duke Energy, polluting corporations need to clean it up. And switch to clean renewable energy even tho it's not as financially profitable it is more profitable for the good of all in the long run.

Thank you,

*Kathleen Marston Blow
Asheville NC*

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 3:07 PM
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Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

NO rate hike!! The Duke MONOPOLY takes maximum possible, POLLUTES more than ANY utility, still bribes NC social organizations. They receive unfair Government subsidies to pollute so pay NO TAXES. Then Duke KEEPS OUR MONEY to enrich CEOs instead of investing in maximum renewable energy in NC. They lie about those low clean energy numbers in their communications by using their other states' (which have better consumer laws than NC) better renewable amounts in averages to sound better than they are. Stop Duke's BAD MODEL, break it up, restructure our energy to clean and reliable renewables as soon as possible. I am scared about climate crisis and none of Duke Energy's 'policies' (IRP) make sense.

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 3:06 PM
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Your world changed 10 years ago and you have yet to accept that renewable energy is how we SURVIVE! Unless you are deaf, dumb, or blind, or a coward... stand up for the good/life of many and rest assured you will STILL have all the comfort you can USE!

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 3:06 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by Daniel Washburn

Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

Raising rates at this time to pay for a coal-ash spill that is Duke Energy's own fault, when many people are hurting financially from COVID-19 and the impending recession, is not acceptable.

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 3:05 PM
To: Statements
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Statement of Position Submitted

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Now more than ever North Carolinians need clean affordable renewable energy that is not only healthy for us but also the planet Earth! No rate hikes. Green energy now!

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 3:05 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Statement of Position Submitted by Chloe Moore

Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

"I have repeatedly spoken out against rate hikes for coal ash cleanup, and in this time I am doing so again. Any increase in rates now, or in the foreseeable future given the current epidemic and longer-lasting economic downturn, is vastly inappropriate given the economic hardship Duke customers are facing. I'm sure Duke is very aware of how many people are unable to pay their energy bills at this time, and to think about raising rates for any reason is unconscionable. I would also like to urge Duke energy to provide debt forgiveness for those households not able to pay electricity bills due to current unemployment or underemployment. Expecting families to pay back this money right when they are attempting to pull themselves back together at the end of the COVID-19 crisis is incredibly damaging. Please take this as an opportunity to stand with North Carolina, not as chance to profit off of our vulnerability. "

Green, Erica

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Message

"No rate hike. People can't afford to pay for your mistakes ."

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 8:31 PM
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Statement of Position Submitted

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DO NOT GRANT A RATE INCREASE, PLEASE!

Green, Erica

Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 6:28 PM
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Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

Any increase in operating/clean up costs should be born by the Company and their stock holders.