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Clerk's Office
N.C. Utilities Commission

Attention: Utilities Commissioner

I am writing to please urge you to deny the request from Duke Power for a 16.7% increase to residential customers. This is a very large increase and will create a hardship on many families, myself included. While stating on the docket a monthly bill of 1,000 kilowatt-hours (kWh) would increase by \$2.18 per month – that is not the big picture, how many households only use 1000 kilowatt-hours (kWh) in a month? None! My current budget billing with Duke Energy is \$150 per month and this request will increase my bill \$25.05 per month making my now \$150 bill \$175.05. This may not sound like a lot, but is huge for me. Cost of living and wage increases are not 16.7%. Please have Duke Power go back to the 'drawing board' and have them ask for a reasonable increase. They have a monopoly on power for this area – no competition - and that is not fair that they are able to just state that increase and it happens with no regard to how it will impact folks.

I hope you will take into consideration this outrageous request and deny it. It is truly an unreasonable increase request.

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