

**From:** [Scott Schlicher](#)  
**To:** [Statements](#)  
**Subject:** Docket Number E-2 Sub 1219  
**Date:** Thursday, April 9, 2020 7:15:50 PM

---

I am writing in opposition to the proposed rate hikes from Duke energy to cover the costs of cleaning up the dangerous coal ash dumps. Duke was advised by scientists and experts for years regarding the dangerous and irresponsible manner of their disposal of coal ash and ignored the advice in order to show profits to shareholders. Capitalism before doing the right thing. Duke energy customers should not be on the hook to pay for for their poor choices and practices in the disposal of the coal ash.

The goal and focus of Duke energy should be on the creation of renewable and clean energy sources, shutting down coal powered plants and stop building more natural gas plants.

I feel it's unconscionable and wrong for Duke Energy to pass the costs of cleaning up their self-created mess on to their consumers.

--

Best Regards,

Scott Schlicher