

# Ohio's utility regulators are about to raise your electric bill with absolutely NO benefit to you or your business.

## **YOU CAN STOP THEM!**

**THIS IS URGENT.** Businesses and their employees need to speak up NOW and tell their legislators and the Public Utilities Commission to reject FirstEnergy's and AEP Ohio's Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs).

Under these proposals FirstEnergy and AEP are asking the PUCO for the right to charge consumers and businesses \$6 billion more for electricity over the next eight years to subsidize plants the utilities claim are losing money. This proposal includes a guaranteed 10% profit on inefficient plants, shifting the risk of running these plants from the utilities to businesses like yours.

AEP and FirstEnergy PPAs will protect them to the tune of a guaranteed 10% rate of return, while increasing the amount of money you pay on your electric bill – more than \$100 a year for an average residential customer and upwards of \$30,000 over eight years for a business consuming 1,000 MWh per year.

FirstEnergy has openly commented that their power plants are outdated, inefficient and can't compete against today's low cost natural gas generators. Why should we bail out FirstEnergy and AEP for their bad business decisions and insulate them from competition? **Let's just say no to this outrageous play.**

To take a stand I encourage businesses and their employees, anyone with an electric bill to **visit the FIGHT THE HIKES WEBSITE – [www.fightthehikes.com](http://www.fightthehikes.com)** – and voice your opposition to these PPAs and the ensuing money grab.

IT TAKES LESS THAN ONE MINUTE. **Simply click on the "ACT Now" button** and within less than 1 minute you will have your voice heard by the Governor, your state senator, state representative AND the commissioners and chairman of the PUCO.

**Thank you for your support. Let's do what is best for Ohio consumers and NOT the utilities!**

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