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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my concern/opposition to the rate increase proposed by American Electric Power Company/Kentucky Power. Utilities are already so expensive the average family has problems paying them. It seems we are always experiencing rate increases or additional taxes. Soon it will be impossible for us to live.

In discussing the work that needs to be done as a result of the December 2009 winter storm, there has been no evidence to me that the problems will ever be corrected. In my particular case, we were without power for 10 days and my electric bill for that month went up \$20. I find it hard to find a reasonable explanation for this. I have also heard that there is the need for extra funds to help with the work to clear right of ways to prevent the significant tree damages that we experienced in December. I have lived at my current location for 27 years and NEVER has there been any work done to help maintain the right of ways for the power lines. It seems to me if the job had been worked on a little each year or every couple of years, we would not now need an extensive cleanup plan.

So once again, why should we, the customer, have to pay for the lack of planning and irresponsibility of the American Electric Power?

Sincerely,

DAOWY Carolyn Miller