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Honorable Commissioner Stephen DeFrank
Chairman, Public Utility Commission
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Chairman DeFrank:

I write to oppose the request of FirstEnergy Pennsylvania to review its base electric rates before your Public Utility Commission (PUC).

This letter is on behalf of the constituents of the 35th District and beyond who are struggling daily with crippling inflation. Base electric rates have already significantly risen over the past few years and this request, which would raise ratepayers bills by 10%, is at a time we cannot afford.

Of particular concern to me is the justification and reasoning behind the increase. While some of the increase will go towards infrastructure, there is a portion that would create an Electric Vehicle Pilot Program providing rebates for electricians to install home EV chargers.

The PUC should not be in the business of subsidizing a particular area on the backs of hardworking Pennsylvanians. This is an unneeded and costly plan.

Please take these factors into consideration when determining this request. Respectfully, do not permit any increase at this time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Wayne Langerholc, Jr.".

WAYNE LANGERHOLC, JR.
State Senator
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CC: Commissioners of the Public Utility Commission