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RE: DUQUESNE LIGHT RATE INCREASE

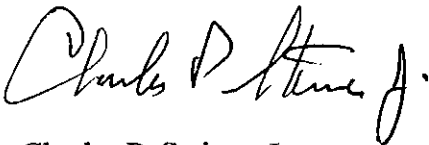
Dear sirs:

I write to implore you to refuse the requested rate increase for Duquesne Light (DL). Such a large increase of almost 10% for residences will impose a hardship during these dire economic times. More prudent planning by the company's management would have obviated the need for an increase of this magnitude in one fell swoop. Furthermore, granting this increase would serve to reward the poor performance by DL in my service territory which is subject to numerous power outages.

My total kwh rate is \$.1263 per kwh while other providers in the state such as First Energy in central PA are charging less, i.e., \$.1162. DL should be garnering adequate profit from its current rate structure during these recessionary times. However, if any increase is approved, it should be substantially less than the amount requested.

I appreciate the opportunity to express my concerns. Also, please note that this letter would have been more timely if not for extended power outages the past two days.

Sincerely,



Charles P. Steiner, Jr.

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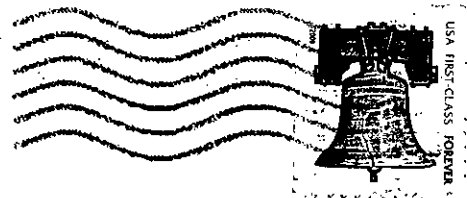
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