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I live in Rutherford County, NC and strongly oppose Duke Energy's request to raise rates due to Covid-19. In your role of protecting North Carolina consumers, you must not allow Duke Energy to increase its profits while the people continue to suffer. Instead, I believe Duke Energy should return more money to customers during the pandemic in exchange for the privilege to be the sole seller of energy in most parts of the state. Duke Energy has the financial ability to absorb the impact of the pandemic whereas millions of its customers do not. I urge you to deny Duke Energy's rate case request and protect consumers.

Sincerely,  
Zach Kopkin

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Duke Energy should not raise the prices of its services! North Carolina minimum wage has not budged and millions of renters are struggling! Including landlords too!

These price changes will negatively effect everyone and cause deaths and evictions as more underpaid people cannot pay up needlessly raised costs! You cannot keep pretending that it is normal that the price of everything goes up while unemployment is skyrocketing!

This will kill the bottom line most exposed who will simply stop renting and will force landlords to tip their hand and possibly evict even more! Please, have some compassion, I'm begging you!