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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of John Manickam  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 5:34 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here

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<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 5:34 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Stop the exorbitant Duke rate increase request

Mar 5, 2020

NC Utilities Commission

Dear Utilities Commission,

I agree with the Utilities Commission's Public Staff that Duke Energy should revisit its proposed rate increase and focus on the consumer. Since Duke is a monopoly, it must feel that it can out the screws on a captive market. However, consumers should not be forced to pay to mitigate Duke's coal Ash mess nor for gold-plated infrastructure costs. Finally, why should it cost \$14 before electricity is even used? Roll back the base cost to \$11.15.

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Thank you.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Kathleen Klesh  
305 Luke Meadow Ln  
Cary, NC 27519  
(919) 267-9996  
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**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 5:34 PM  
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**Subject:** Excessive Rate Increases hurt Retirees on Fixed Incomes

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<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
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**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here: rate hike requests are unfair and punitive!

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of JAMES KELLY  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Paul Schlemmer  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:01 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** You really must consider the little. Guy! Why should we pay for the incompetent actions of Duke Energy?

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**Subject:** Duke power is monopolizing on our need for electricity.

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Sincerely,

**Conyers, Tamika**

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of George Favretto  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:01 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here

Mar 5, 2020

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Kirk Spurgin  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Just Say No to Unfair Rate Increase

Mar 5, 2020

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Please put NC electricity customers first and say no to greedy corporate interests.

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Phillip Walker  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
**To:** Statements  
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Sincerely,

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Luciano Delgado  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of David LeClair  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Excessive rate hike on power

Mar 5, 2020

NC Utilities Commission

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<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
**To:** Statements  
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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Peter Cregger  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Richard Ball  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Target Letter STOP ROBBING YOUR CUSTOMERS

Mar 5, 2020

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Patricia Reid  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Target Letter Subject Line Goes Here

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Melissa Payne  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** No rate increases on energy!

Mar 5, 2020

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Melissa Payne

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Luciano Delgado  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Charles Eison  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** keep Our Energy Costs Down

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Mr. Charles Eison

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Robert McCeney  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 5:34 PM  
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Sincerely,

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Harry Moehring  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 5:33 PM  
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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Barron Asady  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 5:33 PM  
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Sincerely,

Mr. Barron Asady

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Kenneth Marks  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 5:33 PM  
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Sincerely,

Mr. Kenneth Marks

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of Marianne Newman  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 5:33 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Please do not use rate-payers to subsidize corporate issues

Mar 5, 2020

NC Utilities Commission

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I urge you to recognize consumer's interests and support the Public Staff's and other recommendations to trim the rate hike requests and to lower the return on equity to a reasonable amount.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Marianne Newman  
32 Gaia Lane  
Asheville, NC 28806-8828  
(828) 257-2136  
mariannenewman12@gmail.com

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**From:** AARP <aarpwebact@action.aarp.org> on behalf of John Magyar  
<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 5:33 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** I am Retired and on fixed income.

Mar 5, 2020

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Mr. John Magyar

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<aarpwebact@action.aarp.org>  
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