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**From:** theschool@mindspring.com  
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**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Docket E-7, SUB 1214

Dear Commissioners,

I urge the Utilities Commission to reject Duke's most recent request for a rate hike. I am especially concerned about the grid scheme, expansion of climate-wrecking gas and costs for Duke's coal ash negligence. Citizen's should not have to pay for Duke's carelessness.

The proposed grid projects are unneeded or could be better handled with solar-plus-storage investments. In addition, William Powers, a prominent energy engineer, is contesting Duke has been quietly building new gas-burning capacity at existing coal-fired power plants in a way that maximizes both greenhouse gas emissions and the cost of the electricity. Regulators must stop this.

Thank you for your consideration,  
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