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Gladys M. Brown
Pennsylvania Utilities Commission
400 North Street
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Dear Chairwoman Brown,

Since the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, the overwhelming majority of Pennsylvanians have seen their tax liability decrease by significant amounts. While their tax liabilities have dropped, following the federal tax changes, Pennsylvanians have not seen their energy bills drop. Comparatively, residents of 39 different states have reduced their energy rates following tax reform. These states include states such as Texas whose economy is built on the success of the energy industry.

These states recognized the fact, the significantly reduced tax liability energy companies meant these companies no longer need to charge the same energy rates to meet their current costs. It is a well-known fact, like any other company, energy companies often resort to increased costs, fees or taxes by passing the increase onto consumers.

Now that corporate tax rates have dropped from 35% to 21%, this reduction in costs should also be passed onto the consumer. Therefore, we are asking you and the commissioners to begin working on reducing the energy rates Pennsylvanians are paying by a fair and reasonable amount.

Sincerely,



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