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I am a senior citizen + I'm protesting
the proposed increases for overtax.
It's very difficult to get by on
a fixed income, and it can only
be stretched so far. Please not
another increase.

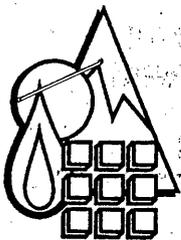
Print Name Mary Stone

Sign Name Mary Stone

Address 301 ^{East} Idaho Ave.

Phone Number 208 ~~756~~ 752-6081

City and State Osburn, Id. 83849



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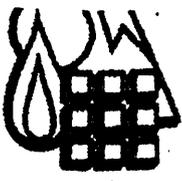
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We are on a fix income - Social Security -
We can not pay these high prices
everything goes up except our income.
We do not think there should be a raise
in gas or electric.

Print Name Earl + Alice Fultow Sign Name Earl + Alice Fultow
Address 306 S 4th Phone Number 682-3801
City and State Pinehurst Id. 83850



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As a senior citizen living on a fixed income like so many others that have to use Arista Utilities, I strongly object to any raise in the cost for services of Arista Utilities. Many older people will be hard pressed to afford any more cost. Also many younger families on minimum wages with family will not be able to pay anymore money for Arista services

Print Name Margaret M. Lindley Sign Name Margaret M Lindley
Address 203 Cedar Phone Number (208) 753-6751
City and State Wallace - ID 83873

Mrs Margaret M Lindley
203 Cedar St Apt A
Wallace, ID 83873



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I am strongly against Avista getting a rate increase. People that I know including myself are struggling to make ends meet and losing the battle. Several years back Avista hired a CEO who was there a very short time and they payed him multi millions of dollars for about 6 month work. NO one is worth Millions in any short time period!!! And to add insults to the customers-get rate increases to pay for this stupidity and greed! The CEO's should take pay cuts and pay for it and leave the working man alone for a while. I wrote last time the tried this garbage!!!

Print Name Jeanie Smith

Sign Name

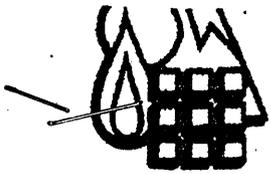
Jeanie Smith

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Phone Number

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Date = 8-19-04

Before you make your final decision concerning Arista's request for two rate hikes - 14.2% plus 7.8% - please consider all the senior citizens on fixed incomes and the scarcity of ^{decent} jobs for the working class which Shoshone County has had to deal with for several years because of the EPA's unreachable demands. A lot of young couples with families are struggling now to keep up with paying their bills and trying to feed, clothe and provide a decent home to live in. Several have had to take part time or seasonal work because of the weak economy in our area due to the mine closures. The amount Arista is asking for is way above what a lot of our citizens could possibly afford. Their budgets are already strained to the max. By the way we are senior citizens. We are interested in the welfare of our community. Thank you for reading this.

Print Name Jack Glencross Sign Name Jack Glencross
Annita Glencross

Address 62069 Silver Valley Road Phone Number (208) 753-0151

City and State Wallace - Id. 83873

"Continued" "over"

Arista claims they have not had any rate hikes for years, yet we seem to be paying a lot more each month for both the gas and electric than we paid in past years.

They have been charging a basic rate of \$3.28 for gas plus basic rate for electric of \$4.00 a month. That is \$7.28 a month over and above the amount we have to pay for our actual usage of the gas and electricity.

Perhaps they should try to re-ramp their budgets a little bit and cut back on some of their unnecessary spending.



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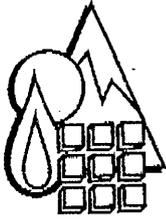
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It is beyond all reasoning that Avista plans to raise their rates here in the Silver Valley where it is a very depressed area because of the loss of a lot of jobs in the mining industry, plus the fact that a lot of people living here live on Social Security benefits alone. It has been hard enough to make ends meet the way it is without Avista making it any harder. Most of the people on SS also need medicine for their health which as you know is very expensive now. To give the bosses + employees raises at the expense of people who are just barely getting by is outrageous + sinful to say the least.

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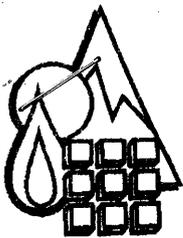
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I oppose the Avesta rate hike

Print Name MARY Lou W. ITSE Sign Name Mary Lou Whitte

Address 250 Pine Tree Dr. Phone Number _____

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*It's frightening with a steady increase
in utilities; how a person on a
fixed & limited income can afford to
exist.*

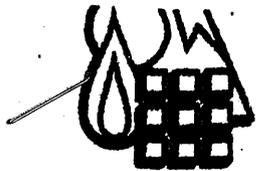
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Mary Lou Shepherd

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DEAR COMMISSION MEMBERS:

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AFTER PURCHASE OF WEIP. THE RATES NOW
PROPOSED ARE RIDICULOUS. CITIZENS ON
FIXED INCOME CAN NOT AFFORD YET ANOTHER
RATE INCREASE

I REQUEST THE PUC START TO SERVE
THE PUBLIC & NOT UTILITIES AS IN
THE PAST.

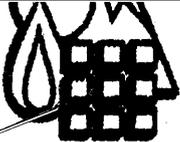
THE NEXT STEP WILL BE FOR PERSONS
ON FIXED INCOME TO SHUT OFF THEIR
POWER WHEN EVER POSSIBLE. WE CAN
NOT AFFORD THIS INCREASE.

PLEASE HELP PERSONS ON FIXED INCOME

Print Name FRANCES M. SCHWARTZ Sign Name [Signature]

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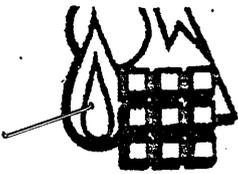
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The price of natural gas just keeps going up. People on a limited budget had a hard time keeping warm last year. What will they do with a big increase again. Our bill went up twenty dollars this month and this is a summer month. Please do all that can be done so we don't get another big increase.

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City and State Osburn, Id 83849



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Writing to the IPUC has been a waste of time and effort when it comes to opposing rate increases by any public utility. Let these companies look into the waste and see how they can save. It is easy to just ask for and increase. Can the person on a fix income go to a retire fund, or social security and say I need more money? Idaho has many people on fix income or on employed. I want to watch other and Slack Gordon on how they approved a 4700 dollar pay increase for themselves. Slack wrote each month later and said he deserved it. The others never wrote such. It is election time again and here they all no me. Even call me by my first name. Ask them for help with my kids, and they no. So do the utilities let them help there kids and economize like the average person has to do.

Print Name LAWRENCE VAN GUSE Sign Name Lawrence Van Guse

Address 2303 129 Phone Number 208 556 3631

City and State Osborne Idaho

When our you people going to realize the U.S. in bankruptcy and have us to the facts, and live with in a world and yet say no very loudly

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Jean Jewell

From: Front
Sent: Friday, August 13, 2004 9:08 AM
To: Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: Complaint acknowledgement

-----Original Message-----

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, August 12, 2004 11:21 PM
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, August 12, 2004
10:21:28 PM

Name: Bob
Street Address: Wild
City: Silverton
State: ID
ZIP: 83867
Home Telephone: 208-556-4811
Work Telephone:
E-Mail: bt-wild@usamedia.tv
Home Business: Home
Business Name:
Business Street Address:
Business Phone:
Complaint Company: Avista Utilities
Local Provider:
Contacted utility: No

Complaint description: The rate hike that Avista is wanting will really effect all of us. It is very hard for our family to make ends meet now, and it will really be hard to have to pay any more. On a fixed income, as I am, it is really difficult to make ends meet. It seems as though everything keeps going up except all of our wages. In the depressed area that we live it is very hard to make it all work.

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