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My family wishes to voice our concern regarding the proposed 14%+ rate hike. We all have our economic problems - some caused by our own mismanagement, a misfortune or by our specific geographical location. North Idaho is different from other parts of the state/region. Unemployment remains high, wages are not in line with other areas of the state. Our concern is overwhelming regarding the elderly customers. One needs not even begin to go into medical/prescription costs. Those costs have escalated at a totally alarming rate. Another totally unbelievable daily \$ issue is the price of food - particularly in the Coeur

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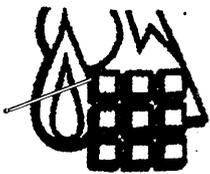


Silver Valley. In 30+ yrs of living here we have always had higher prices at our grocery stores - The very basic need of heat & power for each of us -- young & old -- is now another burden. We all know the economy is not improving -- for the majority of us.

My husband has been disabled for 16 years -- since the age of 41. I work full time. Our youngest child is in high school. Finances are bleak.

We urge AVISTA to sincerely take into consideration the voices of its customers -- particularly those of the elderly who feel so helpless.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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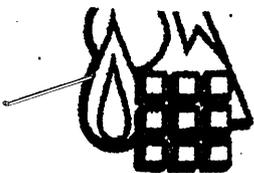
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Dear Sirs,
I am writing to you that you
want raise gas prices.
I am on a fixed income
It is hard to get by now
With prices going up, I don't
know what I will do.
I pray that you will do
the right thing.
God Bless,
Tommy D. Woods

Print Name Tommy D. Woods Sign Name Tommy D. Woods
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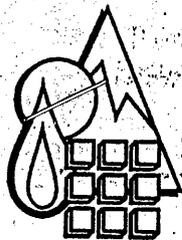
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I think avista should have to manage its company in a way that they could make a profit without making the customers pay for their stupid actions. Retired + disabled people can't get any more money to pay lights + heat. Most of us are getting by now, a lot are not. We can't afford raises in utilities - we aren't getting raises in S.S. or retirement. Since we have no choice in a company to provide utilities, they need to be prudent + fair in their business practice. A monopoly shouldn't be allowed to price gouge its customers.

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I am on a fixed income & its getting harder every year to keep up with utility increases

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Our Cost of Living increase
will no nearly meet the raises
in Electricity & gas. I CAN NOT
see where the utilities need
this amount of increase.

Figures usually say what the
Desire of the Co. want and not
what they need. Fixed income
people do not have a chance
when you compare medical,
utilities, state taxes, property tax,
school taxes, and the tax payer
& utilities seem to think retired
people are a money tree.

Print Name Margaret L SHERWOOD Sign Name Margaret Sherwood

Address Box 115 Phone Number 208-556-6665

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Seems our House & Senate are not
MANAGING very well either at NATIONAL or
STATE level.



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As a half of a senior citizen couple trying to survive on a very fixed income, we are finding it harder every month to pay the utilities bills, buy food and medicines and trying to maintain a semi happy life. Turning the thermostat down and only a few lights on, still has a large bill that has to be paid. We have a well that an electric pump retrieves our water, so that too has to be limited in usage. I only use my clothes dryer when it is very necessary. We had a wood stove that kept us warm when the budget was tighter, but that had to be eliminated. If the cost of electricity and natural gas goes up - it is certainly NOT going to help a struggling low income!

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PO Box 271
Address 155 W. F. Nuckols Gulch Rd. Phone Number 208-753-4581
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Lois A. Porter 806 Sunrise Drive Pocatello, Idaho 83850

I work with senior citizens and have found that many do not take their medication because they cannot afford to pay utilities and food bills and still pay for medicine. This is a sad situation as they will be hit double or triple times when business people have to raise their prices to pay their expenses.

I hope you will take this into consideration before you make the decision to raise rates.

I would go into business myself if every time I made a bad business decision I could just make my customers pay for my mistakes.

Print Name Lois A. Porter

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Phone Number 682-4464

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Do you know where I can buy a large supply
of candles cheap?

I'll need them for heat, light, and to eat!
if you let this increase go thru.
Thank You - A. Anthony for Mr. Cobb.

Print Name Robert J Cobb Sign Name Robert J Cobb
Address Box 1134 Phone Number NONE
City and State Osburn Idaho 1941 Franklin Court



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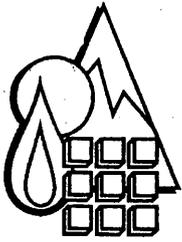
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I am 80 years. I live alone. my neighbor is writing for me. I try to live on a small pension. My house is small but it is hard to heat and costs so much in the winter. Please take in consideration what a rate increase will do to so many of us older poor folks. Everything costs so much these days. My food, my medicines and now the electricity is gonna be more than my ability to pay. Please do not raise these rates.

Print Name Jane M. Bennett Sign Name Jane M. Bennett
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City and State Osburn, Idaho



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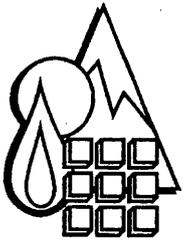
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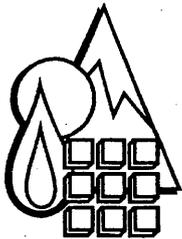
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