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Idaho Public Utilities Commission

Boise, Idaho

Dear Sirs:

My wife and I recently read in the newspaper, that the Avista corporation has once again asked to increase the cost of Gas and Electricity usage to customers.

This seems to be an extremely high amount. As you surely have realized people are having a hard enough time making ends meet, surely the CEOs of a huge corporation such as Avista could perhaps take a pay cut so many people, especially senior citizens do not have to give up food or medicine so they are able to pay their utility bills.

We would think a smaller increase would be sufficient during these very difficult times when people are struggling to make ends meet.

We have written before protesting their requests for high rate increases and they always seem to be granted, but we keep trying to make sense of Avistas ability to always convince the Utilities Commissions in the state of Idaho and Washington to always grant them their raise requests.

Yours truly,

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Very concerned citizens

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