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Idaho Public Utility Commission
P. O. Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0074

Dear Commissioners:

We are writing this letter to protest the current rate adjustment requests by Avista Utilities.

We are requesting you deny ALL current proposed rate adjustments by Avista.

Even though our average yearly usage has dropped significantly since 2005 our power bills continue to go up. We are on a limited income as are many of Avista's customers and cannot afford these continual increases. According to my records the current rate adjustment requests by Avista are the fifth such increase since October of 2015!

Several of the rate increases have been to "pay for upgrades to aging infrastructure". When we were in business we had to budget annually and set aside funds out of our profits for any upgrades or future capital expenditures as do most public or private businesses. Another issue you might want to look into is how much is the CEO being paid!

Recently we were informed Avista Utilities was being sold to a foreign company. It is ludicrous to allow any foreign company to have control of our power grid in the Pacific Northwest. This is dangerous and should not be allowed. As Idaho's Public Utility Commissioners, you are in a position to protect the Citizens of Idaho. Please do so.

Sincerely,



Lora M. Davis
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Diane Holt

To: Name for mailing list for case no. AVU-E-17-04 and AVU-G-17-03
Subject: FW: Case Comment Form: Pamela Bates

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

From: batesp@roadrunner.com [mailto:batesp@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 9:48 AM
To: Beverly Barker <Beverly.Barker@puc.idaho.gov>; Diane Holt <Diane.Holt@puc.idaho.gov>; Matthew Evans <matthew.evans@puc.idaho.gov>
Subject: Case Comment Form: Pamela Bates

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Case Number: AVU-E-17-04
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Name of Utility Company: Avista

Comment: Do not agree with the increase as we has conserved until we hardly heat our home in the winter and you want us to pay more for you lack of good budgeting and judgement???

Plus: Selling to a foreign government.??? Really??? Just who's laws will they have to follow??? The United States or their governments.??? And can they increase our rates until we cannot pay at all???? NOT COOL Mr. Morris. NOT COOL. By the way, how much do you get paid for not budgeting very well. I live off of \$1,170 a month!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Diane Holt

From: jkinyon@silveropp.com
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 1:53 PM
To: Beverly Barker; Diane Holt; Matthew Evans
Subject: Case Comment Form: John Kinyon

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Coeur d Alene Idaho, 83814

Name of Utility Company: Avista

Comment: This rate increase is a travesty for the customers of Idaho. The cost of Scott Morris' severance will be more than the rate increase that Avista is seeking. When companies merge, there are synergies in doing so. Those cost savings should offset the rate increases now being asked for? Why aren't they? The cost of power in Canada is twice what it costs in the US. This is a ponzi scheme to steal away our cheap power for Canada and reduce costs in Ontario. The merger shouldn't happen and nor should the FCA or other increase being asked for.

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Diane Holt

From: bluelake@roadrunner.com
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 10:42 AM
To: Beverly Barker; Diane Holt; Matthew Evans
Subject: Case Comment Form: MIKE NEHER

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DALTON GARDENS ID, 83815

Name of Utility Company: AVISTA

Comment: I oppose the proposed rate increase because it will result with a combined Avista Electric+NG rate increase of 16.3% within 2 years, whereas the CPI has been and is projected to continue at around 1%. Avista is aiming to pump its revenue to justify its merger price of \$53. I also oppose the merger with foreign company HydroOne. There are water resource treaties with Spokane Tribe and the USA at stake. There is something WRONG that needs to be investigated when consumer conservation (to save expense) becomes a reason for Avista to raise energy pricing.

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