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From: wcowelk1@msn.com
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:08 AM
To: Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell
Subject: PUC Comment/Inquiry Form

A Comment from Charles E. WOOD follows:

Case Number: PAC-E-07-05
Name: Charles E. WOOD
Address: 5969 W.arco Hwy.
City: Idaho Falls
State: Idaho
Zip: 83402
Home Telephone: (208)535-0333
Contact E-Mail: wcowelk1@msn.com
Name of Utility Company:
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your question or comment briefly:

I would hope the commission would deny the rate hike, our average bill used to be about \$112.00 per month, since the credit was taken away and is still in court our average bill is now about \$165.00 per month. There is only my wife and myself in our household, if you check the past bill's we used more electricity and it was a lot cheaper, when you call to complain you get a very good song and dance story but it sure dosen't change your bill. People can't keep paying more, as the companies keep getting richer and richer at our expense.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>
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From: antiques2@onewest.net
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2007 6:48 AM
To: Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell
Subject: PUC Comment/Inquiry Form

A Comment from Ruth & Brian Kremer follows:

Case Number: Rocky Mt. Power/rate increase request
Name: Ruth & Brian Kremer
Address: 163 North Lloyd Circle
City: Idaho Falls
State: Idaho
Zip: 83402
Home Telephone: 208 525 6054
Contact E-Mail: antiques2@onewest.net
Name of Utility Company: Rocky Mountain Power
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your question or comment briefly:

Concerning the proposed rate increase by Rocky Mountain Power we wish to add our comments:

We own residential property located at 11423 E. Ririe Highway in Jefferson County. We have struggled with the last increase by this utility which eliminated BPA credit and increased our power bill by double in just this past year. We are members of the ever growing baby boomer generation retirees and now live on a very strict budget... and this segment of our population is only going to enlarge in the coming years. We are unable to ask for more retirement money to meet our day to day cost of living, unlike every business in America, and with a fixed income are finding that providing the mere essentials of cost of living is taxing our reserves. Everywhere we turn cost is increasing. Where does this all end? We would certainly like to pass the ever-increasing costs of our day to day expenses on to someone else, but of course that is impossible. We both strongly urge you to let the management of Rocky Mountain Power find areas of internal waste within their own company to eliminate in order to stay within their budeting costs, rather than always pass the money concern on to their customers. This was our greatest fear when the Co. purchased this utility with the then assurance that they would stay within Utah Power's customer guidelines ad cost factors...it is apparent that the more money RMP receives, the more they desire. Somewhere the buck needs to stop and we agree it is time for the power company to function within its own budget increase of last year and let the buck stop at their doorstep. It is lame to hear that with the increasing customer base (particularly from new housing in previously all farm areas) the cost is increasing. Makes one wonder if the new homeowners do not pay utility bills! Surely this utility has a built-in factor already in place to recoup installation cost of new customers.

We are asking that the Commission deny this most recent increase petition by Rocky Mountain Power and rather require them to cut all waste within their company and live within their current operating budget.

This is an ever rolling wheel...with cost increases hitting us from all sides and someone needs to declare enough is enough.

Thank you for your time and concern.

Ruth & Brian Kremer

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