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Idaho Public Utilities Comm.

Dear Sirs:

Please find a way to solve whatever it is, so you will not increase the Natural Gas fee.

It is very hard for people like me - a senior citizen, trying to live on one income. The price of food, medications, and medical care - even with Medicare has increased so much. I've already stopped one of my medications due to cost. I realize this is not your problem - but it is a choice I have to make.

Thank you for your consideration. Try to keep the increase off for all.

Sincerely,

Wauline Miller

## Jean Jewell

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**From:** Jean Jewell  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 22, 2003 4:49 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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

From: Ed Howell  
Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2003 12:58 PM  
To: Ellen Andrews; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark  
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 22, 2003  
11:58:03 AM

Name: Arthur P Roeh  
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City: Idaho Falls  
State: Idaho  
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Home\_Business: Home  
Business\_Name:  
Business\_Street\_Address:  
Business\_Phone:  
Complaint\_Company: Intermountain Gas Co.  
Contacted\_utility: No

Complaint\_description: I just received notice that Intermountain Gas Co is requesting a 38% rate hike. Please do not grant this request. They are basing the request on abnormally high gas prices from last year. Gas prices normally vary over fairly wide ranges every year and undoubtedly will drop in the near future. This increase which is not justified would be a real hardship to many people especially the elderly.

I am 69 years old and retired, living on a fixed income. I can't afford to pay a very large increase in utility payments. It is bad enough that the sales tax has increased 20% this year.

While I recognize that businesses must make a profit, a regulated monopoly is guaranteed a profit and they do not compete in the marketplace. Their profit margins should be low since they have no risk.

Please protect this citizens of Idaho and do not grant this request.

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