

Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2003 9:38 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Friday, May 30, 2003
8:37:34 AM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: Chad Nison
Street_Address: 1351 n cliff creek pl
City: meridian
State: id
ZIP: 83642
Home_Telephone: 884-157-
E-Mail: cnixon@homeinternet.net
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description: I am firmly against this rate. We have continually been subjected to rate hikes over the past 3 years and we have not seen the rates fall back to the original levels as previously promised. This appears to be an attempt by Inter Mountain Gas to collect revenue ahead of a perceived price increase.

Transaction ID: 530837.34
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Jean Jewell

From: Front
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2003 8:24 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Marilyn Parker
Subject: FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 7:50 PM
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
6:50:15 PM

Name: Joseph Crane
Street_Address: 2419 S. Chicago st
City: Nampa
State: ID
ZIP: 83686
Home_Telephone: 206-461-7702
Work_Telephone:
E-Mail: jmcrane4@yahoo.com
Home_Business: Home
Business_Name:
Business_Street_Address:
Business_Phone:
Complaint_Company: Intermountain Gas
Contacted_utility: No
Complaint_description: Your proposed rate increase of 38% in a consumer ripoff. I am referring to case INT-G-03-1. This is the United States. The economy is bad enough and your company needs to cut the fat not increase prices.

Transaction ID: 5291850.15
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/cons>
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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2003 7:48 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Friday, May 30, 2003
6:47:37 AM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: Brian Allen
Street Address: 211 N Alaska Avenue
City: Caldwell
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83605-3002
Home Telephone: 208-459-2583
E-Mail: ballen1051@aol.com
Company: Intermountain Gas Co.
mailing_list_yes_no: no

Comment_description: Thank you for letting us make our comments via your online site. I am sorry that only one person came to your public hearing in Boise, but people (including me) are becoming complacent these days with the yearly ups and downs of utility prices. Anyway, here are my comments concerning this subject:

I do believe that this utility company deserves some sort of a raise in prices due to the increase price of natural gas, however as stated in some news articles, these prices could go down after this price increase, and then the gas company could submit again for another price change lowering their prices of natural gas. I would like to see them get a smaller increase right now so as not to "shock" the consumer as much during these tight economic times, and if they can prove in say a 6 month time that they did not get enough of a raise for their product, then they can again submit for a raise. This would enable them to get their raise and the customer would not be confronted with another possible large increase for this product. Again, thanks for letting us make our comments.

Brian Allen

Transaction ID: 530647.37
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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 11:20 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
10:19:52 PM

Case: INT-G-03-01
Name: James Nolan
Street Address: 5644 Centerbrook Drive
City: Boise
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83705-2704
Home Telephone: 208-378-4128
E-Mail: JJenolan@aol.com
Company: Intermountain Gas Company
mailing_list_yes_no: no

Comment_description: I feel the requested rate increase of 33% on home gas use is quite excessive. We try to be frugal in our use of natural gas. Based on our 2002 usage, the increase would amount to \$13.47 a month. Based on the first five months of 2003, the increase would amount to \$13.81 a month. I am retired with a limited income. Because my pension is partly based on the stock market, my income has dropped \$3,300 a year. That, along with the increase in the Idaho Sales Tax from 5% to 6% makes for a hardship. I'm sure that many others have similar stories.

Intermountain Gas has announced they are installing an Automated Meter Reading System (AMR) in our area. I'm sure this means they will be saving a great deal of money on manpower since they will not need people to walk the routes.

I trust the PUC will consider cutting any increase in gas rates by a significant amount.

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Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>
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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 10:19 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
9:18:31 PM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: Michael B. Lydon
Street Address: 11915 W. Blueberry Ct
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83709

Home Telephone: 208-378-8446
E-Mail: bluegecko@rmci.net
Company: Intermountain Gas

mailing_list_yes_no: no

Comment_description: To whom this concerns:

Regarding the proposed rate increase for Intermountain Gas, I have several comments. I would have preferred to do some research, but since IGC is a privately held company, financial information is difficult to obtain.

First, I think that increasing rates due to future expectations of costs goes against the concept of free market economics, even though IGC is a regulated utility. They should be allowed to have quarters where a financial loss occurs. I understand allowing for rate increases to avoid bankruptcy (assuming there is good financial management), but asking for increases prior to such potential losses occurring might be jumping the gun.

Second, I seem to recall rates getting increased significantly around the time of the Enron scandal for reasons of tight supply. My understanding is that now the supply seems okay but production costs are going up. Is anyone looking at the upstream markets to make sure manipulation isn't occurring?

Third, I would rather see IGC be focusing on conservation efforts instead of increasing rates whenever costs go up. Maybe formulate some sort of incentive to reduce consumption year to year? Or increase energy efficiency of appliances and insulation? Those would all go a long way to reducing dependence on natural resources that will eventually be depleted.

I hope that the commission will consider having IGC share some of the risk of potential increases of costs, or a smaller increase with a chance at a 2nd increase or reduction once the future is clearer, or both.

Sincerely,
Mike Lydon

Transaction ID: 5292118.31

Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>

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User Hostname: 216.222.3.87

Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 9:58 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
8:58:24 PM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: Bob Pentecost
Street Address: 11079 W. Hinsdale St.
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83713
Home Telephone: 2083774244
E-Mail: bobpentecost@cableone.net
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: no
Comment_description: An increase in the amount of 38% is an outrage. People are seeing shrinking and disappearing paychecks and they want to further burden the public. Perhaps a modest increase of 2% could be considered, but 38% is revolting.

Transaction ID: 5292058.24
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>
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User Hostname: 24.117.70.50

Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 8:26 PM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: intermountain gas

From: little miss forfeit this you can believe..... (|_|) [SMTP:FORFEIT_THIS@HOTMAIL.COM]
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 8:26:00 PM
To: secretary
Subject: intermountain gas
Auto forwarded by a Rule

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Corrine Kaiser. I live at 227 E. Maple St. in New Plymouth Idaho. I wanted to voice my opinion on the matter regarding the rate increase that is trying to become in effect on my gas bill from intermountain gas. I wanted to say that I feel the rates are already too high. Being a single person it is already too hard to make ends meet. Please do not raise the fees to have natural gas in the homes of our community. The farmers are having a hard enough time with the water problems that effect their farming. Please dont crunch us with higher prices for valued utilities that we need.

I did not mean to write so many letters. I hit a hot key with my sloppy typing and the letter sent with me being ready for it to go. Sorry for so many :)

Sincerely,

Corrine Kaiser

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Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 6:58 PM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: NO TO INTERMOUNTAIN GAS' 40% RATE HIKE

From: Devon Roe[SMTP:ROEBUNCH@MSN.COM]
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 6:57:55 PM
To: secretary
Subject: NO TO INTERMOUNTAIN GAS' 40% RATE HIKE
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NO TO INTERMOUNTAIN GAS' 40% RATE HIKE

If you raise the rate of gas it will be just as cheap to go with electric heating so you will loose a number of customers to electric company. Why pay 2 people if you can get both items from one company? Wood stoves would make a come back and so would pellet stoves. Also there would be more families in the winter time with children who live in cold houses. The job market today is extremely poor. More families have one parent with out a job. Raising the gas prices would only hurt these families.

William and Devon Roe Jr.
859 Pennwood St.
Meridian, ID
83642

Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 6:19 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
5:18:37 PM

Case:
Name: Tim Burkenbine
Street_Address: 5927 Flamingo Drive
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83704
Home_Telephone: (208) 327-0057
E-Mail:
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: no
Comment_description: The last time there was a rate hike, I installed new vinyl windows through out my home prior to the hike, only to find my gas bill higher than it had ever been. I am less than impressed with the idea of another, especially in view of the time of season, is this perhaps an attempt to shore up a dramatic shortage in revenue or just banking on the extremely complacent.
Whatever the fact, I, if not everyone, need a break from the bull.

Transaction ID: 5291718.37
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>
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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 6:07 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
5:07:05 PM

Case:

Name: Joanne Bradford
Street Address: 11984 Jerry Lee Lane
City: Nampa
State: ID
ZIP: 83651
Home Telephone: 208-466-8110
E-Mail: rmbrad@velocitus.net
Company: Intermountain Gas Company/Case #INT-G-03-1
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: I would like to urge you to vote against this rate increase. I am a new user of Intermountain Gas Company's services. I researched the costs involved for the changing of my furnace along with the costs of the gas. I was told that this was such a great way to heat the house since the cost of gas is about 35% less than electricity and just more cost effective. The salesman made the comment that they Idaho Power Company keeps asking for increases in rates but Intermountain gas never increases their rates by any more than 5 to 7% at a time and even then, not very often. This helped persuade me to spend the money to convert over to natural gas. It was not a cheap process as I had to pay to have the line brought to my house which was in excess of \$3500 for the line alone.

With all businesses cutting costs and employees, I am amazed that a company who serves the community would request such a large increase. How will this effect the people who are already struggling to make ends meet on unemployment? Shouldn't this company have to take some lumps and increase rates only enough to cover the absolute necessary costs? Under no circumstances should they be allowed to budget for an additional profit. Not in these economic times.

I urge you to vote against this proposed rate hike increase.

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Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>
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User Hostname: 216.222.0.106

Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:39 PM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: Gas hike

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>From: Chris Sabala[SMTP:CHRISS@MOUNTAINFINANCIAL.COM]
>Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:35:06 PM
>To: ChrisS@MOUNTAINFINANCIAL.com; secretary
>Subject: Gas hike
>Auto forwarded by a Rule
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I am writing in regard to the proposed gas rate hike. I am opposed to such a drastic hike without proper justification. I also wonder if the ridiculous increase of 37% is to soften it, so they can get a 15% hike more easily. Any additional information would be appreciated. Thanks

Chris Sabala
2910 Rose Hill
Boise, Idaho 83705
345-0413

Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:37 PM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: Gas hike

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>From: Chris Sabala[SMTP:CHRISS@MOUNTAINFINANCIAL.COM]
>Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:33:11 PM
>To: secretary
>Subject: Gas hike
>Auto forwarded by a Rule
>

I am writing in regard to the proposed gas rate hike. I am opposed to such a drastic hike without proper justification. I also wonder if the ridiculous increase of 37% is to soften it, so they can get a 15% hike more easily. Any additional information would be appreciated. Thanks

Jean Jewell

From: Greg Sabala [GregS@MountainFinancial.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 3:58 PM
Cc: Cary Ruplinger
Subject: Gas increase of 40%.

The economy is down, unemployment is up and every company is cutting prices to be more competitive. Now, with all that said, where would a 37% increase make sense. I understand the need for some increases on occasion. This seems too drastic and will force many people to burn more in their fireplaces. I don't think that air pollution would be a goal either. Obviously, I am being a little sarcastic on this message but this makes no sense to anyone but the Gas company.

I hope common sense prevails.

Thanks for the time,

Greg Sabala

Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 5:35 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
4:35:22 PM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: F. McDonald
Street Address: 5514 Lake River Lane
City: boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83703
Home Telephone: 208-853-8850
E-Mail: SNOWMC@CABLEONE.NET
Company: Intermountain gas
mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description: Please DO NOT allow a substantial rate increase. Force them to reduce executive pay and review salary structures. Force them to cut costs. Things are rough enough for the people of Idaho currently. We do not want a rate increase, much less a 33-43% increase.

Thank you.

Transaction ID: 5291635.22
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>
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User Hostname: 24.116.143.90

Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:34 PM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: Intermountain Rate increase

From: Don Stillwaugh[SMTP:DSTILLWAUGH@AIRVAN.NET]
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:34:20 PM
To: secretary
Subject: Intermountain Rate increase
Auto forwarded by a Rule

My name and address is: Donald C. Stillwaugh, 1822 S. E. 5th Way Meridian, Idaho 83642 208 888 7417
I am the Executive Vice president for Air Van northAmerican located at 3340 S. Denver Way Boise Idaho 83705
phone 472 9002

Besides my personal residence Air Van operates over 300,000 square feet of warehouse space in Boise and Nampa.

We have seen large increases from Intermountain Gas Company in the past three years.

The economy is still down and our customers are asking us not to increase rents or storage rates. If we increase our rates we risk losing them. We have done everything we can to keep from raising cost to our customers. We have reduced expenses, reduced personnel, and closed a warehouse, consolidated into existing warehouses.

We watch what we spend and evaluate our expenses daily.

Any increase in cost is unacceptable in today's environment. But a 40% increase is insane and ridiculous. This increase will cause us to lose customers and

close more warehouses. We can't afford an increase in our gas rates and our customers will not take an increase from us.

I am still waiting to read on the front page where Intermountain Gas Co. has been forced to reduce cost. If they really need a 40% increase, something is wrong

with their management. They should consider layoffs to reduce expense before asking for such a huge increase. We have 85 employees and we do not support the proposed Intermountain Gas increase.

Don Stillwaugh
Air Van northAmerican
Executive Vice President
email: dstillwaugh@airvan.net
direct: 208.472.9002

Jean Jewell

From: Front
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:25 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Marilyn Parker
Subject: FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 5:17 PM
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
4:16:29 PM

Name: Orrin A. Tuttle Jr.
Street_Address: 2903 Matthew
City: Boise
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83706

Home_Telephone: 208 342-0554
Work_Telephone: 327-3208
E-Mail: otuttle@msn.com

Home_Business: Home
Business_Name:
Business_Street_Address:
Business_Phone:

Complaint_Company:

Complaint_description: A huge rate hike like this when all of these people are losing their jobs. I work for a Corporation and have several friends in the same boat. Do not receive a cost of living raises and have one raise since 1993 of \$36 per month. I am still employed and have seen 12 directors and many other salaried employees terminated in the last 12 months and you want MAJOR rate hikes. Well I guess I can go back to the wood stove if it comes to that.

Transaction ID: 5291616.29
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/cons>
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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 5:21 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
4:20:59 PM

Case: INT-6-03-1
Name: Jeremy D. Satterwhite
Street_Address: 1916 N. Davis
City: Jerome
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83338
Home_Telephone: (208) 644-1669
E-Mail: jeremy.satterwhite@daviscofoods.com
Company: Intermountain Gas Company
mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description: I request a denial of the gas price raise proposal. You see on TV commercials to switch to gas because the use is much more economical, then you through a 38%price increase?

Transaction ID: 5291620.59
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>
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User Hostname: 12.106.14.163

Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 5:10 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
4:10:26 PM

Case: INT-G-03-01
Name: Ann M. Wilson
Street Address: 7479 Newbrook Drive
City: Nampa
State: ID
ZIP: 83687
Home Telephone: 208/468-7799
E-Mail: none
Company: Intermountain Gas Company
mailing_list_yes_no: no
Comment_description: COMMENT: I strongly object to the proposed 38% rate increase. This is such a significant increase to ask from consumers at one time.

Transaction ID: 5291610.26
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>
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Jean Jewell

From: Front
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 3:35 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Marilyn Parker
Subject: FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 3:29 PM
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
2:29:25 PM

Name: Carla Critchfield
Street_Address: 1610 Poplar
City: Buhl
State: ID
ZIP: 83316
Home_Telephone: 208-543-2423
Work_Telephone: 208-934-8195
E-Mail: cccritchfield@glanbiausa.com
Home_Business: Both
Business_Name: Glanbia Foods, Inc.
Business_Street_Address: 1728 S. 2300 E. Gooding, ID
Business_Phone: (208) 934-8195
Complaint_Company: Intermountain Gas
Contacted_utility: No
Complaint_description: Case #INT-G-03-1

I oppose the 38% proposed rate increase for natural gas. This increase is very unreasonable and will cause several businesses and individuals severe hardship. Please reconsider this decision. Thank you.

Transaction ID: 5291429.25
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/cons>
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User Hostname: 12.17.165.226

Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:33 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
3:32:52 PM

Case: INT-G-03-01
Name: Terri Timmons
Street Address: 119 S. Kimball Ave.
City: CALDWELL
State: ID
ZIP: 83605

Home Telephone: 208-454-1008
E-Mail: terri.timmons@gte.net
Company: Intermountain Gas

mailing_list_yes_no: no

Comment_description: PLEASE, PLEASE DO NOT- I REALLY MEAN DO NOT- GRANT THIS INCREASE TO INTERMOUNTAIN GAS- WE ARE A SMALL MA & PA BUSINESS AND BARELY HANGING ON BY A THREAD- IF YOU GRANT THAT INCREASE WE WILL BE FORCED TO CLOSE OUR DOORS AFTER 30 YEARS IN BUSINESS- WE JUST CAN'T AFFORD ANY MORE INCREASES IN EXPENSES.

WE CANNOT POSSIBLY ATTEND ANY HEARINGS, BECAUSE WE WORK SO MUCH. WE ALSO ARE RAISING AN 8 YEAR OLD GRANDCHILD AND HAVE NO MORE CORNERS WE CAN CUT EXCEPT MEDICAL INSURANCE- WHICH MEANS 3 MORE PEOPLE ON STATE AID.

WHY CAN'T ALL BIG CORPORATIONS BE EXPECTED TO DO THE SAME AS US COMMON PEOPLE AND CUT THEIR EXPENSES, WHICH MEANS LOWERING THOSE OUTRAGEOUS WAGES

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From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:26 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
3:26:12 PM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: Dan Ozuna
Street_Address: 3034 North Sle Kirk Dr
City: Boise
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83702
Home_Telephone: 342-7070
E-Mail: dozuna@simplot.com
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description: An increase is not defensible at this time due to the recent decreases in oil prices, as this is a by-product of this resource. Based on recent information provided by the media, it seems that oil production will not be slowed....so to me this seems a little more like a good time time to increase profits? I don't understand the reasoning behind this proposal for rate increases. Please explain.....

Transaction ID: 5291526.12
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>
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User Hostname: 24.117.22.172

Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 4:16 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
3:15:29 PM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: Jerald W. Anderson
Street Address: 1510 N Plateau
City: Caldwell
State: ID
ZIP: 83605
Home Telephone: 208 459 6473
E-Mail: jerryand@prodigy.net
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description: I strongly oppose a large rate increase for Intermountain Gas.
1. Increased energy cost will further deenergize Idaho's lagging economy
2. Fixed and low income users will bear the greatest amount of economic pain with such a move
3. We have had insufficient information about the request. Is it because of residential demand and low supply? Or is it because of Gas fired electric plants to supply out of state interests?

Thank you

JA

Transaction ID: 5291515.29
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>
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User Hostname: 12.150.93.104

Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 3:13 PM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: Rate hike

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>From: Elisa Richardson[SMTP:RICHARDE@SLRMC.ORG]
>Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 3:13:05 PM
>To: secretary
>Subject: Rate hike
>Auto forwarded by a Rule
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I oppose the proposed the rate increase for Intermountain Gas. I have a gas furnace and I find it hard already to live comfortably in the winter with the rates at their current levels. A small increase (10%) from time to time could be justified and budgeted, but a 40% increase is outrageous!

Please make note that I am against the current proposed rate increase.

Elisa Richardson
Medical Imaging
St. Luke's R.M.C.

Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 2:09 PM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: NO TO INTERMOUNTAIN GAS HIKE

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>From: BRADLEY,CHRIS-J (HP-Boise,ex1) [SMTP:CBRADLEY@HP.COM]
>Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 2:09:15 PM
>To: secretary
>Subject: NO TO INTERMOUNTAIN GAS HIKE
>Auto forwarded by a Rule
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I would really like to see the justification for such a large increase in rates. Are they on the verge of closing down? Even half of that increase is huge. I'm sure I will not be receiving a 40% salary increase because I need more money with the economy being down. In fact many people can expect quite the opposite. That much of an increase is inappropriate at this point in time.

Thank You
Chris Bradley
854 South Redhead Avenue
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Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 1:55 PM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: No to Intermountain Gas Hike

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>From: Jorge Reyes[SMTP:J_REYES@AIRVANIDAHO.COM]
>Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 1:57:24 PM
>To: secretary
>Subject: No to Intermountain Gas Hike
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I think the 40% hike is ludicrous! Why in the world would the gas compay feel it's necessary to increase when the power company was kind enough to lower it for the consumers. Does that mean all the other vultures out there to make a quick buck should intervene? I don't think that's right. I personally live on a fixed income and the percentage rate will force me to cut other expenses in my life and household.

In closing I would just like to reiterate my disgust with this proposal. I think it's unfair to consumers and absurd. Jorge Reyes 87 S. Taylor St. Nampa, 83687.

Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 2:55 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, May 29, 2003
1:54:32 PM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: Mindi J. Paulson
Street Address: 373 W. White Way
City: Kuna
State: ID
ZIP: 83634
Home Telephone: 208-890-7460
E-Mail: thisroad@aol.com
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: I strongly object to an increased rate for my gas bill of 33-43%. I understand a slight increase here and there, but anything over 4% is ridiculous. With the economy the way it currently is, it will only add to the problems. Most of us do not have extra money from month to month, and some of us struggle to have even enough to pay our bills at all. It would be an incredible disservice to customers to approve an increase in our rates as is currently being proposed.
Thank you.

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Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2003 9:08 AM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: from your consumer:

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>From: Karen Oster[SMTP:OSTERK@SLRMC.ORG]
>Sent: Friday, May 30, 2003 9:07:53 AM
>To: secretary; Karen Oster
>Subject: from your consumer:
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To the PUC:

I have been a consumer of Intermountain Gas on and off for 30 years.
I have chosen to buy homes throughout my adulthood primarily because the home had Gas heat over Electric heat, because the rates are a lot more affordable than Electric!

I am currently in search of a new home.....honestly. How co-incidental this is! And, I had ruled out Electric heated homes that I looked at/even liked, only because Electric used to cost MORE than Gas!

If you hike up the price of Gas for we consumers.....
you will lose more business/income, than gain, simply because other consumers such as myself will NOT be biased any longer because you will be as expensive as our Electric companies. So, why "choose" YOU over any other source of heat???

Bottom line for MOST of we consumers is the UTILITY BILL, not because it's faster or hotter heat.....we have to live within our budgets!

Thank-you for reading my opinion.

Karen R. Oster
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Boise, ID. 83716
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Karen R. Oster

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Jean Jewell

From: secretary
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2003 8:44 AM
To: Barb Barrows; Ed Howell; Janet Bahora; Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: GAS INCREASE.

From: Gloria Johnson[SMTP:NO1SHAZAM@HOTMAIL.COM]
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2003 8:43:55 AM
To: secretary
Subject: GAS INCREASE.
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IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSIONERS.

We disagree with the high increase for Idaho gas. There are great quantities of natural fossil fuel in this country. We do not see the need for this increase in that regard. Above and beyond that, there are so many people on fixed incomes just barely keeping their heads above water as it is. The cost of living is so high and the income is so low in Idaho I fear this will put more burden on the government. The cost of folks on subsidies is so high now the government is seeking ways to cut back, on the very people who need it.

With the current tax increase and gas at the pump so high along with other daily costs soaring, this cannot be healthy for the economy.

Please reconsider.
Thank you,
Bill and Gloria Johnson
Evalyn Gore

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2003 10:16 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

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Friday, May 30, 2003
9:16:12 AM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: Pat Corley
Street_Address: 3336 Jackie Ln.
City: Boise
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83704

Home_Telephone: 208-375-1744
E-Mail: Maxipat@velocitus.net
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: I live on a limited income, and I have to get help through the heating assistance program in the winter, even then It is hard for me to pay my heating bill. I don't know what I'll do if you raise the bill more than it is now. I am not in good health and can not work any more as I am a senior citizen. I hope you will consider not raising our bills.

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