

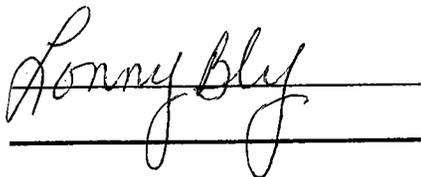
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0074

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IDaho PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

It is our understanding that **Intermountain Gas** has partitioned the State of Idaho for a **32% increase in our gas bill to heat our homes.**

Homeowners are experiencing a **big deficit in our household accounts.** It is to the benefit of all of us to help hold increases to a minimum. Schoolteachers are taking cuts, Micron employees are laid off or taking cuts. The majority of all business we work with is seeing a big decline. We are seeing increased expenses in all fazes of our economy. **We have just had a sales tax increase. Now is NOT the time to INCREASE THE BILL ON OUR HOME HEATING EXPENSE.**

Sincerely,



Lonny Bly
1621 Ruth Ln
Nampa, Idaho
83686

This increase is going to happen to all the P.U.C. (Idaho Public Utilities Commission), ... 10, 2003. We have an opportunity to stop this increase if we all act now by e-mail or sending letters such as this NOW.

To comment on this issue or register a complaint,
www.secretary@puc.state.id.us

Your comment must be in written form, either e-mail or letter.

Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2003 12:52 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Friday, June 06, 2003
11:51:41 AM

Case:
Name: Sheri Poulsen
Street_Address: 1020 10th Street
City: Idaho Falls
State: ID
ZIP: 83404
Home_Telephone:
E-Mail:
Company: Intermountain Gas Company
mailing_list_yes_no: no
Comment_description: As a small business owner, I realize that it becomes harder and harder to make a profit. That's why I'm so unhappy with yet another rate increase. My family has seen rates increase in all areas of our budget and it is becoming increasing harder to manage. Actually, it makes me angry! I have to raise my prices in order pay for YOUR price increases. Why don't you look into scaling down your budgets and cutting out waste, such as I have had to do, instead of increasing prices again. Granted, last year's rate decline was nice but it just brough rates down to something manageable. I converted my house to gas for the comfort and relative inexpensive rates--not to have my monthly bill increased all of the time!!!! PLEASE THINK HARD ABOUT THE DECISION TO RAISE THE RATES. My family doesn't have an endless supply of money. You might think \$18 a month doesn't hurt but believe me, we feel the impact.

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Jean Jewell

From: Front
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2003 11:00 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Marilyn Parker
Subject: FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2003 11:17 AM
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Friday, June 06, 2003
10:17:19 AM

Name: joseph . s.gawron
Street_Address: 2729 stony fork way
City: boise
State: id
ZIP: 83706 4924
Home_Telephone: 336 7804
Work_Telephone: 336 7804
E-Mail: polish prince 73 aol.com
Home_Business: Home
Business_Name:
Business_Street_Address:
Business_Phone:
Complaint_Company: intermountaingas co.
Contacted_utility: No
Complaint_description: The 37% rate increase requested is too much!

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2003 11:18 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Friday, June 06, 2003
10:18:12 AM

Case: Int-G-03-1
Name: Nelson T. Guymon
Street_Address: 432 Meadows Lane
City: Twin Falls,
State: Id.
ZIP: 83301

Home_Telephone: (208) 734-3894
E-Mail: nelsguymon@hotmail.com
Company: Intermountain Gas co.

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: I am a senior citizen trying to live on soc. sec. & I feel that with the proposed rate increase, I won't be able to afford to heat my home. They took an increase last yr. which was supposed to go down when the supply caught up with the demand. It didn't happen. I was unaware of last nites hearing in Twin Falls, if I had known I would have been there. All my adult life I have paid my bills & have ecepted the raises as they came, but this time I feel I must speak out. PLEASE DON"T ALLOW THIS INCREASE>

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Jean Jewell

From: Front
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2003 8:26 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Marilyn Parker
Subject: FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Friday, June 06, 2003 9:19 AM
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Friday, June 06, 2003
8:18:40 AM

Name: XENIA WILLIAMS
Street_Address: 98 NO 100 WET
City: JEROME
State: ID
ZIP: 83338
Home_Telephone: 208-3247613
Work_Telephone: RETIRED
E-Mail: XENIAWILLIAMS@WEFTV.NET
Home_Business: Home
Business_Name:
Business_Street_Address:
Business_Phone:
Complaint_Company: INTERMOUNTAIN GAS
Contacted_utility: No
Complaint_description: I THINK THE REQUEST FOR A 37% INCREASE IS RIDICULOUS AND TOTALLY INAPPROPRIATE. OUTRAGEOUS. THERE ARE SO MANY POEOPLE OUT OF A JOB, AND SENIOR CITIZENS WHO ARE ON A VERY LIMITED INCOME. AT A TIME WHEN THE ECONOMY IS FLAT THEY REQUEST 37% MORE FROM PEOPLE WHO JUST SIMPLY DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF MONEY! THEY ARE NOT REALISTIC. IF TIMES WERE GOOD, MAYBE THEN. BUT NOT NOW. BAD TIME. PEOPLE ARE BARELY HANGING ON HERE. PLEASE DENY THEM THAT AMOUNT OF INCREASE.

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2003 10:42 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, June 05, 2003
9:41:55 PM

Case: int-g-03-01
Name: C LaPorte
Street Address: 11945 W. Combes Park Dr.
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83713
Home Telephone:
E-Mail:
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: no
Comment_description: If it's true that they plan to increase rates by 46% I think it's shocking and shouldn't be done. A slight increase maybe and I would ask why the need to do this

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2003 8:19 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, June 05, 2003
7:18:47 PM

Case: INT-G-03-1
Name: Rob Howell
Street_Address: 316 N. Pine
City: St.Anthony
State: ID
ZIP: 83445
Home_Telephone: 208-624-7507
E-Mail: DesiHow@msn.com
Company: Intermountain Gas Co.
mailing_list_yes_no: no

Comment_description: I feel that the price is already too high and by raising it, it will be too much money for Idaho people to pay. I have switched to using a wood stove because the price is too high and I still have a high bill in the winter time. I feel that now is not the right time to be increasing the amount on the gas bills. Thank you for your time and reading my comment.

Rob Howell

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2003 6:31 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, June 05, 2003
5:31:29 PM

Case: int-g-03-1
Name: Kory Lofthouse
Street Address: 5237 S. 2785 W.
City: Rexburg
State: ID
ZIP: 83440

Home Telephone: 208-356-9260
E-Mail: klofthouse@yahoo.com
Company: Intermountain Gas

mailing_list_yes_no: no

Comment_description: I am against the 38% price hike for natural gas from Intermountain Gas Company. This price hike is not realistic! Their solution to the price increase is to spread it out over the summer months. This is not the solution. I could understand a 10 to 15 percent price hike. Many elderly and low income people can not afford a 38% hike in the price. The gas company really never gave a good reason for the increase in price. They ought to eat some of the higher prices just like everyone else. Kory Lofthouse

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2003 5:05 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, June 05, 2003
4:04:46 PM

Case: INT-G-03-01
Name: Joe C. Packer
Street Address: 2173 W. Sonoma Dr
City: Meridian
State: ID
ZIP: 83642

Home Telephone: 887-9999
E-Mail: scsinidyahoo.com
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: Dear Commissioner:

I heard on the radio the end of last week that no one showed up for the public hearing regarding Intermountain Gas request for a rate increase. I was surprised to hear that the meeting was held at that time. When I first heard about their request for a rate increase I was determined to go to the meeting and make a public comment. However, I never heard when the meeting was going to be held. The week it held was during the high school graduations of every high school in the Boise and Meridian area. I'm not sure about outside of this area. My big concern is why would anyone who wanted honest feedback from consumers would hold a public hearing during that week. Probably one of the busiest weeks of the year.

I am filing a formal protest of two things: one is that the meeting was held without consideration of other public activities which impacted the lack of attendance and two about the proposed rate increase. My natural instinct is to be awfully suspicious of that type of a meeting setup. I would hope that as public officials you would have the professional standards to hold those meetings that affect so many people at time when there are not major interferences. Unless you did that on purpose to lessen the potential of complaints about the increase. I deem this action highly suspicious. On the second complaint, we need to see some hard evidence that Intermountain Gas will suffer substantial economic harm if they don't get the rate increase. Who is looking at their books. Why couldn't they plan for the future better? The valley's economic conditions, and in fact, all of Idaho is still in a down turn and this is the time for them to look at their company infrastructure and see where they need to trim the sails as all of us have had to do these past two years.

Please take this as an official complaint regarding the timing of holding the meeting and I am against any rate increase.

Thank you,
Joe C. Packer

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2003 4:37 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, June 05, 2003
3:36:49 PM

Case: int-g-03-1
Name: Linda Keifer
Street_Address: 732 West Bogus View Drive
City: Eagle
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83616
Home_Telephone: 938-8091
E-Mail: dekeifer@mindspring.com
Company: Intermountain Gas
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: We are very much against a 33 to 43% increase in gas rates. Right now there are so many people who have lost jobs in the valley and our economy is in a world of hurt. Raising rates at this time would be very poor judgement. There are times when a utility company should consider the "health" of the community versus fattening their bank accounts. The health of this community, at this time, is NOT in good condition! This is a HUGE increase and doesn't even make sense.

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2003 4:33 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, June 05, 2003
3:32:49 PM

Case: INT-G-03-01
Name: jolene sterling
Street Address: 4015 christine st
City: Boise
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83704

Home Telephone: 208 323 8845
E-Mail: jojotoad@juno.com
Company: intermountain Gas CO.

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: We are against a rate increase, things are tight right now for everyone.

Idaho Power is giving us a cut, so I think that Intermountain Gas co. should also. I was that we had more competition in this Valley so that the big companies can't control our lives/

Transaction ID: 651532.49
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