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Boise, Idaho 83702

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Dear Sirs,

I wish to protest the proposed 1% increase in natural gas for heating and water heating that Intermountain Gas Co. is applying for.

I am one of the many senior citizens who rely on natural gas for our winter time heating. We simply will have a much harder time making our limited budgets pay our bills if this approximately \$148<sup>00</sup> extra charge per year is approved.

Please consider our situation.

Sincerely,  
Mrs John Cleverdon  
6463 Ustick Road  
Nampa, Idaho 83687

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IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RE: PROPOSED GAS PRICE INCREASE

GENTLEMEN:

I CONCUR WITH YOUR POSITION THAT NONE OF THE PRICE INCREASE SHOULD FIND ITSELF IN THE PROFIT COLUMN OF THE GAS COMPANY. IN FACT, IF THE PRICE YOU ARRIVE AT ALLOWS A REASONABLE PROFIT FOR THE COMPANY IS THERE ANY REASON THAT THE COMPANY CANNOT ASSUME A PART OF THEIR INCREASED COST BY GIVING US CONSUMERS A SMALL DISCOUNT DURING THIS PERIOD OF CRISIS? GOOD BUSINESS PRACTICE DOES ALLOW SUCH A CONSIDERATION, EVEN FOR A REGULATED STOCK COMPANY. SUCH A MOVE WOULD ALSO MAKE A LOT OF WELCOME FRIENDS.

SINCERELY.



JOHN W. GERDES  
1215 N 17<sup>TH</sup> ST.  
BOISE, ID 83702

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Sept. 13, 2008

Gentlemen:

In response to your notice of a 15 to 18% increase in natural gas prices for the Intermountain Gas Co., I am thoroughly disgusted. I cannot see how transportation costs even enter into the picture. The gas is delivered by pipe line, is that why there is a \$6.50 per month charge to read your meter? What a scam. If they don't get a rate raise as often or as soon as they think they should they add another fee, surcharge, or tax to the monthly statement. Why is there a need for a higher supply unless it is for the illegals that are allowed here. I realize our population is growing but not to that extent. I certainly do not try to use more gas than I have to. These people are just getting on the band wagon to gouge the public as much as they can while they can. They even conceded that gas prices have decreased, so why the increase in rates if they aren't going to be used for salaries, equipment or profit. Is it for entertainment or for lobbyists and the under the table pay-offs?

I think you all should be ashamed of yourselves for condoning or even entertaining the thought of a rate increase. I for one think it is deplorable. The poor and elderly have no say in the matter. The rich just keep getting richer at the expense of others.

Marie Foshee  
187 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> East  
Aberdeen, Id. 83210

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**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** mommiedearest@dcdi.net  
**Sent:** Monday, September 15, 2008 4:54 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Marie Foshee follows:

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Case Number: INT-G-08-03  
Name: Marie Foshee  
Address: 187 S. 2nd East  
City: Aberdeen  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83210  
Daytime Telephone: 208-397-5386  
Contact E-Mail: [mommiedearest@dcdi.net](mailto:mommiedearest@dcdi.net)  
Name of Utility Company: Intermountain Gas Add to Mailing List:

Please describe your comment briefly:  
How does transportation enter into the costs for raising prices when gas is delivered by a pipe line? There is a \$6.50 surcharge each month to read the meter. What does that cover? There are so many surcharges and added costs now it is ridiculous. It is conceded that gas rates have decreased so why the need for a raise if it is not going to be used for salaries, equipment or profit? Excuse me, is it for the lobbyists and the under the table pay-offs? I think you should all be ashamed of yourselves for condoning and even entertaining the thought of a rate hike. I for one think it is deplorable

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>  
IP address is 208.98.188.223

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**From:** djames313@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 15, 2008 8:48 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Douglas L. James follows:

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Case Number: INT -G-08-03  
Name: Douglas L. James  
Address: 2825 S Garibaldi Ave  
City: Meridian  
State: ID  
Zip: 83642  
Daytime Telephone: 288-5441  
Contact E-Mail: [djames313@yahoo.com](mailto:djames313@yahoo.com)  
Name of Utility Company: Intermountain Gas Co.  
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your comment briefly:

The requested natural gas (NG) price increase is not justified by the facts but only by knee jerk emotions of greed and fear. IMG Co is playing on a short term turmoil and recent run-up of oil prices (non-permanent) to present as justification for the requested 18% increase. Per the Dallas Federal Reserve Bank, part of the Fed, NG prices are only loosely tied to oil because NG has a very predictable cyclic demand and is easily stored from one year to the next, not true of gasoline or electricity. The price of NG is projected to substantially decline for the several years per the Dallas Fed per Mr. Stephen Brown.

The NG pipeline infrastructure supplies Idaho from Canada, not the Gulf further isolating us from the severe variations of oil prices.

From these observations and the nature of the NG industry I question if we are being mis-led by IMG Co or they need to a better job of purchasing NG, NG futures, and managing inventories to keep from passing through temporary costs to the customers.

I find the idea of an 18% NG rate increase both ridicules and outrageous making the case IMG Co needs better management. In the last 2 weeks, oil prices have clearly fallen from the summer peaks. NG prices have recently gone down also. Just a little agility on IMG's part using contracts and futures will greatly trim the need for a rate increase.

I recommend denial of INT -G-08-03 and resubmitted in light of the two following URL's by the Dallas Fed.

[http://iis-db.stanford.edu/evnts/4582/Brown\\_NorthAmericaNatGas.pdf](http://iis-db.stanford.edu/evnts/4582/Brown_NorthAmericaNatGas.pdf)  
[www.rice.edu/energy/publications/eventpres/ng\\_na-nov07/mine-yucel ng-na-nov07.pps](http://www.rice.edu/energy/publications/eventpres/ng_na-nov07/mine-yucel_ng-na-nov07.pps)

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**From:** cannonm@byui.edu  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 16, 2008 2:59 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Michael Cannon follows:

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Case Number: INT-G-08-03  
Name: Michael Cannon  
Address: 375 So. 5th East  
City: Rexburg  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83440  
Daytime Telephone: (208) 496-1897  
Contact E-Mail: [cannonm@byui.edu](mailto:cannonm@byui.edu)  
Name of Utility Company: Intermountain Gas Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your comment briefly:

I am concerned about an average 18-percent increase in costs for those of us who heat our water and homes with natural gas. With gasoline and other energy costs skyrocketing, many of us are working hard to be as frugal as possible to make ends meet. I hope the PUC will carefully scrutinize this proposal and keep in mind the interests of citizens who live in a cold climate and anticipate significant heating costs in the months to come. Thank you.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>  
IP address is 157.201.137.85

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**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from craig bissell follows:

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Case Number: intermountain gas increase  
Name: craig bissell  
Address: 3030 cobble way  
City: meridian  
State: idaho  
Zip: 83642  
Daytime Telephone: 870-6364  
Contact E-Mail:  
Name of Utility Company: intermountain gas Add to Mailing List: no

Please describe your comment briefly:

as if this co doesnt make enough money, now they are jumping on the band wagon to screw us out of the last few bucks we have left. when are you people going to say NO to these monopolys??????

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IP address is 67.60.229.13

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