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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing in regards to the most recent rate adjustment effective August 1, 2017 from Avista. I am approaching retirement and with minimal social security, I struggle to pay my bills. The raise of 3% will make it almost impossible to heat my home during the cold winter months. This is also true for my elderly neighbors.

In Spokane, we do not have a choice as to a power company as Avista has a monopoly. Why should the low income and elderly be punished financially?

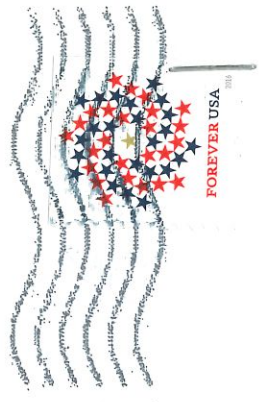
I oppose this rate increase.

Yours truly,



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