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	Jeremy Franklin	E-mail	<p>I don't think customers should pay for upgrades and investments to infrastructure. Infrastructure is an essential part of the gas business and should be an expected and budgeted cost. Customers shouldn't be burdened with higher bills. If anything, the state and company should work together to cover these costs without hiked bills or state taxes.</p> <p>Respectfully,</p> <p>Jeremy Franklin c: 801-874-8562</p> <p>Sent from my iPhone</p>

Case: 190210

Title: CNG GRC

PI Coordinator: Andrew Roberts

Staff Lead: Betty Erdahl

## Public Comments by Case

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	Mike Carey	E-mail	<p>The cost of natural gas is down almost 22% in 2019. Exports of LNG are easing and inventories are rising, which will keep downward pressure on prices.</p> <p>This is a budget windfall for CNG as they continue to charge customers the same rate. With these increased profit margins, CNG can well afford to maintain its distribution system.</p> <p>If a 5.56% rate increase will increase revenues by \$12.7 million, then a 22%+/- decrease in commodity cost will generate \$50 million+/- more profit.</p> <p>No rate increase, but maybe a decrease if the course LNG is on continues.</p> <p>Thank you. Mike Carey P.O. Box 8305 Yakima, WA 98908</p>
	Judy Steele	E-mail	<p>Paperwork I have indicates we had a large price increase effective April 1, 2019. And shortly thereafter you now announce another not insignificant price increase no later than March 2020.</p> <p>That is way too often and way too much. What is going on and how can you/we stem this out of control pricing? Some of us are on fixed incomes. Your thoughts would be appreciated.</p> <p>Sent from my iPad Judy Steele. 601 Honeysuckle Dr, Mt Vernon, Wa 98273 360-424-6531 judy6531@gmail.com</p>

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	Neil Jacobson	E-mail	Fixed income can take any more!  Sent from my iPhone
	Trudy Stuart	Phone	Customer received an insert in her bill from Cascade Natural Gas. She feels the rate increase is excessive.
	Ronald John	E-mail	Did Cascade Natural Gas Corporation make a profit this past fiscal year? If in fact Cascade natural Gas Corporation made a profit and their bottom line was operating in the black they do not need nor do they deserve a rate increase. If that is the case I would expect you to deny their rate increase request. Any such rate increase only benefits the few who can afford to be stockholders.  I urge you to do your job and represent the consumer ratepayer not Cascade Natural Gas Corporation Management and stockholders.  Ronald John 2410 Francis Rd Mt. Vernon, Wa. 98273 Ronald-john@sbcglobal.net  Sent from Mail for Windows 10
	Jeff Petroskie	E-mail	No rate increase for cascade gas especially since they had an increase in 2018.

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	Vince Aleksey	E-mail	<p>Mr. Roberts,            Why is Cascade Natural Gas proposing an increase of 5.56% in natural gas rates, when natural gas prices are at a three plus year low on the Commodity Exchange. Is this request for a rate increase strictly for a return on shareholder equity? I am opposed to this increase. I feel consumers should be getting a rate DECREASE.            Thank you for your time            Vince Aleksey</p>
	Henry McNeal	E-mail	<p>It is getting hard in keeping up with all the utilities increase, especially people who are on a fix income. We do not get increases like CNG wants. Our social Security increase this time is only 1.7%. Much less than what they want. I would like to see someone with a backbone to say no increase that high, the only increase you can have is accordance to the COLA that the feds says. It is time to make thing fair.            Henry McNeal</p> <p>Sent from Mail for Windows 10</p>
	Janet Drake	Web	<p>Comment taken over the phone by UTC employee John T.</p> <p>I'm calling to my proposal is a negative vote for your proposed rate increase of 5.56%. For some people it's even more than that. I am opposed to an increased rate. I am 89 and I have a tight budget, but I enjoy the natural gas and for many reasons I am opposed to the natural gas increase .</p>

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	Fred Rudolph	Web	<p>Taken by CTC</p> <p>I object to their increase because just getting the 12 or 13%, which lasts for 36 months; I want to know if this increase is going to be based on that 12 or 13% increase that we just got. I don't think Cascade is being run very efficiently. It seems like every time we get a new bill, we get an increase-they're asking for an increase. I think they ought to start looking for another supplier because gas is going down and why should we be paying more when gas is going down? I really think they ought to start looking for another supplier. Only one supplier coming into the state? That's ridiculous!</p>
	Dianna Torrico	Web	<p>Comment taken over the phone by UTC employee John T:360</p> <p>A 5.56% increase is too high. A 3% increase would be acceptable, which is closer to the cost of living increase in my social security income.</p>
	Robert A Forman	Web	<p>With natural gas prices at a three-year low and trending lower why is there need for an increase in rates to the customer? Blaming the need on an explosion that took place a year ago and caused prices to momentarily spike is ludicrous. One more thing, can you explain why a temporary federal income tax rate credit requires a rate increase? It seemed we deserve a reduction, not an increase.</p>
	Stephanie Meehan	Web	<p>Comment taken over the phone by UTC employee John T.</p> <p>There's a real disconnect between people and understanding cashflow. Working people can't afford the increase. They do not get a 6% increase in their income to match the company's request. I am worried that continued utility rate increases will snowball into a growing homelessness crisis.</p>
	james a brady	Web	<p>I am opposed to the proposed rate increase by Cascade Natural Gas wherein the corporation wants to increase my bill by 6.16%. This is far above the CPI and for retired persons like me and my wife is more than we can make up by reducing our spending or trying to find investments for our savings that has that high of return.</p>