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Subject: Gas and electric rates increase are way too much for 1 year.

[EXTERNAL]

Hello-

I would like it known that the proposed increases to business and residential customers requested by Puget energy for 2025 and 2026 is ridiculous.

A 18% increase in gas costs in one year? Are you taking this seriously? Does puget energy just get to make as much money as they want without any control? You are the control! Help us consumers with controlling this Fortune 500 company please. They had 4 trillion in revenue last year... if they can't figure out how to make it work then they are not in the public's best interest. I can understand small increase yearly but 19% in one year is outlandish.

Their proposed electric increases are also much more substantial then needed. They are basically a licensed monopoly and we are at their mercy. You have the power to set the rate increases - please just be reasonable. 1-3% is reasonable. This is a for profit company with unending potential revenue for the infinite future. The more we give them the more they will ask for. Please on my behalf and on the behalf of all puget sound customers control this behemoth before it gets out of control.

Thankyou for time,

Resident and business owner,
Patrick Files