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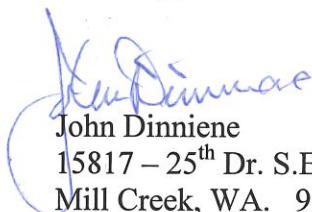
I am sending this letter to you in response to your notice of certain public hearings as above referenced regarding electricity and gas. You are proposing a rate increase for electricity and a drop in rate for gas.

As presented, the changes aren't too significant; however, general rates have gone up over time, eating into our fixed retirement income. Our income doesn't grow. I am requesting a cooling period for fees for these utilities for at least a few years. Certainly, there are cost savings or innovations possible to mitigate the rates you charge.

We aren't the only ones being squeezed. Look at the price of cars, groceries, housing, insurance, utilities, etc.

I hope others express similar opinions. Thanks for allowing me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,


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