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RE: Notice of requested changes to PSE rates and public hearing

It seems every year PSE is increasing rates.

The current request states "Residential customers would see an overall average increase of \$3.49 percent. A residential customer using 900 kWh per month would see a bill increase of \$3.42."

This average increase appears to be a MISREPRESENTATION!

The "Effects of proposed rate changes for residential electric service" for the average residential customer using 900 kWh of electricity per month" is for 0-600 kWh and >600 kWh for Total bill at 900 kWh.

WHO USES ONLY 900 kWh per month?!?!?

I am a senior, living alone, in a small house with a heat pump (new-2 yrs old) and I am very conservative and frugal with energy usage, and my totals for 0-600 & >600 kWh for Jan, Feb, and Mar were 1048 kWh, 1287 kWh, and 1053 kWh respectively. All ABOVE 900 kWh... and I am NOT a family! The usage would be greater for a family!

Perhaps PSE should list a more REALISTIC average residential customer kWh of electricity per month, as it is NOT only 900 kWh. Stating average is 900 per month is deceiving. Therefore, the percent change proposed is NOT accurate, and most customers would have a greater percent change.

Also, the total amount for all customers would increase additionally due to the amounts of the State Utility tax and the City tax, calculated on the amount PSE charges. This is not mentioned in any rate changes/notices, but it does affect the amount customers will have to pay.

All information should be provided to customers, not just minimal percent increases.

Furthermore, re: Decommissioning and remediation costs as well as unrecovered plant of COLSTRIP UNIT 4 and Talen Montana's refusal to purchase a share of PSE's interest. **THIS SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN CUSTOMER RATES!!!!**

And it should go without saying that with so many customers impacted by wages lost due to the pandemic, that NOW would not be a wise time to increase rates AGAIN. Compassion and a moratorium on a rate increase would look good for you.

Kind regards

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COMMENT ON PROPOSED PSE RATES

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