

Dear PUC Commissioners
I am writing in regards to
the proposed Xcel Energy rate
increase of 9.48%. I have
called your office about this and
I was told to send a statement
to your office to be included in
your Docket to be considered
before it becomes finalized.

My statement is that I feel
its an unfair increase because
most South Dakotans have had
no increases in salary or hourly
rates since 2008. I personally
had my wages cut 15% to
help my manufacturing company
sustain itself. It's been a
real struggle to make ends meet
I think had they asked for a 3%
rate increase it would be more
appropriate rate increase since the
wages of this State is so low.

Sincerely Duane Poppens