

1-14-2013

Commissioner Kristie Fiegen,

Thank you for the return letter over the Excel energy request to increase rates.

Commission Dockets "2012 Electric Dockets" and EL12-046."

Kris, Please fight hard for no increases in over Electric rates. I moved from Minnesota in 2002 and I had Excel as a supplier. My bill was \$65.00 a month. In Sioux Falls in 2002 my electric bill did not change about \$65.00 a month. I was happy!

Now in 2012 my bill is \$83.00 a month. (just my wife and I). Please, I only have so much money to pay my bills. I'm on a fixed income - teacher retirement and my social security check. This year, both checks only increased 2%. It's not enough! You know everything costs more - food, clothing, fuel and now an increase in electric rates. How much can senior citizens take!!

Really stand your ground - Fight hard for no raises in rates. They make a large profit and overpay their executives. Right. Then more of a rate to increase for everyday people. They need to give senior citizens a different rate!

Enclosed is a copy of my electric bill from 10-29-2012 use this if you need.

I'm concerned, I don't want to struggle to pay my bills. Life is suppose to get better as you get older. Right!

Sincerely,  
H. John Martin  
retired

Deb, Please forward to all Commissioners  
I'm concerned, I don't want to struggle in paying  
my bills. It's nice to have some leftover at the end  
of each month.

Deb, thank you again for being a good listener  
you get an A+. I would like to get you a raise!

I'm going to wait for the end results and hope  
it's good.

Have a great year!

Sincerely,  
H. John Martin  
Retired

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your copy ok!  
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