

SN-03-Rate Case

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May 7, 2003

Mr. Steve Wright
Bonneville Power Administrator
P. O. Box 3601
Portland OR 97208-3621

Subject: Safety Net CRAC

Dear Mr. Wright,

I am a customer of Cowlitz PUD that buys power from your organization. I neither like that my electric bill has almost doubled within the last three years nor can I afford it. Like many residences in our area, my home is all-electric which gives me no choice in the source of power. I am also on fixed income that does not increase anywhere near the rate you have been raising your prices. You proposed 25% Safety Net CRAC is not acceptable,

Cowlitz County has lost many jobs and the unemployment rate is about 10%. Many businesses have closed, and our basic public services, schools and the economic future of the area are severely threatened. A recovery is impossible if we suffer another increase in our power rates.

BPA has exceeded its budget dramatically in the past two years. I read that it will take another three years of the current high rates plus the proposed large increase before costs come under control. I need relief right now, not another increase. You must do your best to solve your budget crisis, passing these costs to the consumer is not the answer.

The proper answer to these high electricity prices is in your agency's control. I urge you to do as others have in the Pacific Northwest. BPA must find the ways to cut its costs. I do not think it prudent to build large reserves at this time. You need to decrease payments to third parties and you need to renegotiate non-purchased power costs and payments back to the 2000 levels.

Do not be a contributor to the total economic collapse of our region.

Sincerely,



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May 1, 2003

Steve Wright
Bonnerville Power Administrator
P.O. Box 3621
Portland, OR 97208-3621

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Dear Mr. Wright:

I am a customer of Lewis County PUD that buys nearly all its power from Bonnerville Power Administration.

I am very concerned about my electric bill. Power costs have drastically increased over the past two years. As a matter of fact the newspaper carried an article about BPA overcharges and that a refund was forthcoming.

Our economy is in a slump, unemployment at an all time high, business forced to close because of excessive power increases, and now you (BPA) propose another increase. This can't be. Passing you poor judgement and inadequacies is not the answer. The answer to excessive electric costs is in your agency's control. Don't let your agency force the Northwest into total economic collapse.

Sincerely,

Margaret Knodel

cc: Representative Brian Laird
Senator Patty Murray
Senator Maria Cantwell



Margaret V. Knodel
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May 6, 2003

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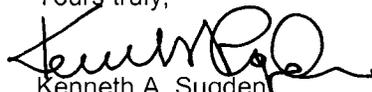
Dear Steve:

I'm sure it comes as no surprise to you, based on the volume of mail you have been receiving, that Franklin PUD and its customers have grave concerns about another possible rate increase this fall through the SN CRAC. We are asking you to utilize every reasonable measure available to reduce and control costs now and in the future.

You have an opportunity to work toward reducing the costs of protecting and mitigating for species covered by the Endangered Species Act by following the Northwest Power Planning Council's recommendations in its 2003 Mainstem Amendments. Although summer spill accounts for approximately \$80 million of lost power revenue, few listed fish benefit from summer spill at mainstem Columbia dams according to preliminary determinations of the Council's fishery experts. You and your customers cannot afford to pay for costly programs with questionable results.

We urge you to follow the Council's recommendation. Please work with other federal agencies to put a testing program in place this summer. We cannot afford to delay.

Yours truly,


Kenneth A. Sugden
Manager

LTR 03-114

Cc: Representative Richard "Doc" Hastings
Senator Patty Murray
Senator Maria Cantwell
Frank L. Cassidy, Chairman, Northwest Power Planning Council
Tom Karier, Councilmember, Northwest Power Planning Council
Bob Lohn, National Marine Fisheries Service

THE POWER IS YOURS

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April 30, 2003

Stephen J. Wright
 Administrator
 Bonneville Power Administration
 P.O. Box 12999
 Portland, OR 97212

Re: Comments on the SN-CRAC Expedited Rate Case (SN-03)

Dear Administrator Wright:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) Safety-Net Cost Recovery Adjustment Clause (SN-CRAC) Rate Case. Since 1977, WTA has represented the interests of its members in relations with federal and state agencies, working to promote healthy and abundant salmon stocks, maximize fishing opportunities, and educate the public about salmon trolling. Our membership of fishermen and women operate vessels that range in size from 23 ft. to 64 ft. with crews of one to three – often working families. We represent over 180 fishing families in addition to the many businesses in Washington's coastal communities of Ilwaco, Westport, La Push, and Neah Bay to name a few, and others all along the Pacific Coast.

Coastal fishing communities know firsthand the extent of the Pacific Northwest's economic recession. Our businesses have suffered economic depression since long before this current downturn. In fact, the health and survival of our industry – the oldest industry in Washington State – is inextricably linked to the policies of BPA and the abundance of our regions once prolific salmon runs. For these reasons, we sympathize with those concerned about the economic viability of the region, but we are deeply concerned that BPA may be once again shortchanging salmon and the businesses and communities that rely on them in the context of this rate case.

The current rate case is a detailed and often times convoluted process, and WTA cannot claim to have expertise in all its facets. That said, we do know a thing or two about the importance of salmon restoration to the economy and social well being of the Northwest, and it is in that respect that we focus our comments. WTA finds BPA's initial rate case proposal inadequate in two simple, but significant respects: 1) BPA's proposal for fish and wildlife funding is woefully insufficient to implement the agency's current and future salmon responsibilities, and 2) BPA fails to properly insulate those salmon responsibilities from the agency's volatile power business, meaning that salmon and salmon dependent communities will continue to bear the brunt of the agency's poor decision-making in the future.

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 Salmon for Consumers*

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As a matter of law, BPA is required to ensure that it can meet its obligations through its rates. However, the last three years have proven that BPA is far from meeting its salmon recovery responsibilities. One need not look further than the drought of 2001, when BPA unilaterally turned off salmon-friendly hydroelectric dam operations in order to protect its dwindling financial reserve levels. More recently, BPA unilaterally imposed cuts to its salmon budget in order to alleviate financial shortfalls that were – and are – entirely unrelated to the agency's financial woes.

In its initial rate case proposal, BPA is mandating a draconian cap on the amount it will dedicate to fish and wildlife recovery through 2006 at \$139 million/year. Frankly, this is unacceptable. In the 2000 rate case, BPA committed to a range of salmon funding scenarios in recognition of the fact recovery costs into the future are uncertain and difficult to predict. The Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission (CRITFC) and the Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority (CBFWA) have estimated that the minimum annual revenue required to implement BPA's offsite mitigation and Fish and Wildlife Program needs is about \$247 million, based on nearly 700 proposals submitted and approved through the Northwest Power Planning Council's Provincial Review.

This estimate, however, is conservative. It does *not* include a range of potential additional costs that may arise before the end of this rate period. Those costs may include, but are not limited to, improvements to publicly owned habitat, additional mitigation needs arising from to-be-adopted Sub-basin Plans, addition offsite mitigation or hydro operations (such as increased flow augmentation or spill) that may arise through two upcoming FCRPS Biological Opinions check-ins, additional BPA requirements identified through Endangered Species Act recovery planning, or an improved Vernita Bar agreement.

Despite this significant potential for *increased* BPA fish and wildlife commitment, the agency is *reducing* its salmon recovery funding. For reasons that are unknown, BPA has essentially thrown out this prudent concept of flexibility despite numerous upcoming processes that could effect the agency's recovery obligations. BPA's current rate proposal essentially rules out the possibility that the agency will be able to meet new obligations as they arise in the future.

Adding insult to injury, BPA is actively seeking *further* cuts to its salmon program by assuming changes in dam operations that may further harm salmon. Of great concern to WTA members is the lack of spill over Bonneville Dam to aid the spring migration of lower river hatchery chinook. The members of WTA, as well as entire coastal fishing community depends on lower river hatchery chinook production. This dereliction of BPA's mitigation obligation will cost our fleet dearly, perhaps as much as 50% of some individual's income from salmon. We are certain that mitigation and recovery are obligations that BPA cannot ignore, and to do so compromises our trust in all of BPA's salmon programs

As stated above, WTA is sympathetic to the region's economic worries. Our members, above all, have not been immune from these worries. Nowhere in BPA's proposal, however, does it analyze – much less recognize – the economic impact of the agency's proposal to *weaken* its ability to meet salmon recovery obligations. We urge BPA to fully consider the impact of its proposal on salmon-dependent communities.

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Finally, WTA strongly believes that BPA must take the opportunity in this rate case to protect the agency's salmon recovery responsibilities from the ups and downs of its power policies. For far too long, salmon and salmon-based communities have borne the brunt of BPA's questionable decisions. BPA must be able to fully meet its salmon restoration requirements despite the agency's fiscal situation and in isolation of fluctuations in the power market. Even the Northwest Power Planning Council recently recognized this point in a letter to BPA dated February 21, 2003: "Bonneville's many programs are not equal. Some, such as the fish and wildlife program, respond to legal obligations that cannot be abandoned, even temporarily."

WTA recommends two ways to achieve this goal: 1) establish a dedicated, multi-year fund with minimum funding levels in order to meet salmon recovery obligations. This fund should be protected from unrelated financial concerns in BPA's daily operations. 2) BPA must commit to implement salmon-friendly dam operations regardless of the agency's financial concerns. Salmon-dependent communities cannot suffer another repeat of the so-called 2001 "energy crisis" when BPA abandoned salmon protections in favor of maximized energy generation. As stated earlier, salmon are not the cause of BPA's concern and therefore should not be used to bail it out.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide comments regarding the SN CRAC rate case. We urge BPA to follow the recommendations above to better ensure that BPA is able to meet its salmon recovery obligations now and into the foreseeable future.

Sincerely,

Douglas H. Fricke

Douglas H Fricke, President

Judith J. Graham

Judith J. Graham, Executive Director

Joel Kawahara

Joel Kawahara, WTA Board Member

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

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From: DEBORAH EVANS [deborah.evans23@verizon.net]
Sent: Sunday, May 11, 2003 7:02 PM
To: Comment@bpa.gov
Subject: Safety Net Cost Recovery Adjustment Clause.

I am writing to express my concerns over the proposed power rate increases that have been announced. I feel that other measures: administrative cost-cutting and financial tools, should be used to address your financial shortfalls before any rate increases are put into place.

I have been having a difficult time paying my bills as a result of being laid off in 2001. I have had only temporary employment to survive on since then. Struggling to keep my head above the financial ocean I am swimming in, I would find it difficult to absorb any rate increase to my electric bill. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Deborah Evans

From: Jim Landreth [jimlan@elltel.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2000 4:53 AM
To: comment@bpa.gov; senator_murray@murray.senate.gov; maria@cantwell.senate.gov; sharlyn.berger@mail.house.gov
Subject: Northwest Power Costs

It is time for a change. Over the last several years BPA has shown itself to be a typical incompetent, bungling bureaucratic mess. How is it that an agency which was originally charged with only the task of marketing the power generated by the federal dams in the NW has taken upon itself to virtually put a stranglehold on all of the public owned utilities in the NW by virtue of their power sales contracts. Originally the contracts with the large direct service industrial customers called for interruptable power based upon availability of power surplus to the needs of the public utilities. Now the contracts apparently call for firm power as the retail rate payers are now faced with increased power bills in order to buy out the plants which are shutdown and are being paid not to operate. What kind of nonsense is this? There is no shortage of power generation in the NW but rather a shortage of management of that power. How can BPA justify huge rate increases based solely because of their mismanagement. Inflation based increases are justified but the huge increases which have plagued us over the last few years are totally unjustified. It smells much the same as the incompetence shown during the seventies and eighties with the WPPSS mess which was for the most part the responsibility of BPA. A new look must be taken as to the future of the northwest energy supply if we are to survive economically. The relatively low cost power is one of the major factors in providing any advantage we have economically over the rest of the country. Our economy is based primarily on processing materials brought in from elsewhere and without being competitive with our processing costs, we cannot sell our products in the major marketplaces which are not in the northwest.

From: harry denny [hjynned@hotmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 11, 2003 9:49 AM
To: comment@bpa.gov
Subject: Possible rate increase

Please give very strong consideration to your thoughts on another rate increase on our electrical service.

As you are of course aware, our PUD has raised our rate in excess of 100% from a few years ago. There are many retired families in this area who just are unable to continue this increasing in our power rates. My family is one of those. We are on a fixed retirement and are stretching every dollar now in order to make ends meet.

I do not wish to go back to burning wood for heating, but I may have to do that. I do realize that the environment will suffer if more people return to burning for heat, but for many there may not be an alternative.

Sincerely

Mr. Harry J. Denny
730 Cedar Ave West
Montesano, WA 98563-2703

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Arlen L. Marsh [amarshco@crpud.net]
Sent: Saturday, May 10, 2003 6:27 AM
To: comments@bpa.gov
Subject: rate hike

Dear Sir:

I have a two fold problem with a rate hike. The first being that as the economy is not to stable. Due to this there is a 8% unemployment rate. Any change in cost to live is a catastrophic when many are losing everything as it is because they no longer have a good income.

The second part of this is I do not feel that the fact that lose of income because of the dishonesty of Enron is not nor will ever be our problem. Why should the common person pay for that mistake. We did not make the decision to send our power to California in the first place.

Sincerely
Arlen Marsh

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2003 4:43 PM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: Effects of power rate increases on my family;

-----Original Message-----

From: PETS DRAGON52@wmconnect.com [mailto:PETS DRAGON52@wmconnect.com]
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2003 4:42 PM
To: Sjwright@bpa.gov
Cc: oreca@oreca.org
Subject: Effects of power rate increases on my family;

TO the BPA Administrator Steve Wright, Dear sir, my mother and I are disabled physically ,which keeps us from being able to use any source other than electricity for heating our home! We are both existing on a fixed source of income, with many other financial responcibilaties besides the cost for our power bill..If the cost of the power rate is raised we will both surely suffer the loss of some other nessity which we need to just get by with our lives!! Life is a struggle the way things are now , it is hard to get by just the way things are now . So I hope you will take this into consideration before allowing another rate increase!

Sencerely, Patsy and Sheila Petrie

5/12/2003

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2003 4:43 PM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: BPA rate increase

-----Original Message-----

From: Linda Seaman [mailto:linda@contracting-academy.com]
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2003 4:37 PM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Cc: oreca@oreca.org
Subject: BPA rate increase

I am one of the many unemployed Oregon citizens who are concerned about the rising cost of electricity. I was worried about being able to pay for electricity under the last rate increase, but I managed. Further increases would be even more of a hardship. I have installed florescent bulbs in all fixtures that are used frequently. I turn off lights when I vacate a room and follow all tips for saving electricity such as a timer on my hot water heater. Please look at cutting administrative and overhead costs at BPA instead of raising rate to Northwest utilities.

Sincerely,
Linda Seaman

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2003 2:47 PM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: rate increases

-----Original Message-----

From: Gary Nye [mailto:g.e.nye@worldnet.att.net]
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2003 2:42 PM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Subject: rate increases

We cannot believe that the BPA is proposing yet another rate increase. Shame on you. How about cutting administrative and overhead costs before passing on increases to us? We are paying **over** \$100 a month and we **NEVER** turn on the heat, using **ONLY** our small wood stove. Even without the heat turned on, we are still paying over \$100. a month. How can that be possible? It is only my husband and me, in an 1100 square foot house. We turn off all lights and small appliances when not in use, line dry laundry as much as possible, take quick showers, and still we are hit with such high energy bills. We need affordable power. Please listen to our Senators, Senator Gordon Smith and Sentator Ron Wyden and to our Representative Peter DeFazio.
Thank you.
Gary and Kathryn Nye

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Jim and Pam Valentine [jimandpam@olynet.com]
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2003 8:17 AM
To: comment@bpa.gov
Subject: rates too high!

Attention:

Mr. Steve Wright,

Mr. Wright, as customers of Grays Harbor PUD, we have been told you are thinking of raising our electricity rates, again!

We have done everything possible to control our usage, including a new heat pump. We can not afford to have our rates raised again. Many of our friends and relatives have the same problem.

Please do not raise our rates. Thank you.

James Valentine

Pamela Valentine

5/12/2003

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5-6-03

Dear Steve Wright,

There has to be a stop to another increase in our power rates.

I am retired on a fixed small income and like the unemployed, low income and middle income people, which seems to be the majority, we can't stretch our money any further.

Maybe you can find a way to cut administrative and over-head costs to avoid the increase.

God knows we can't ask other countries for help - We need help from within our own country.

Please take another look at this issue.

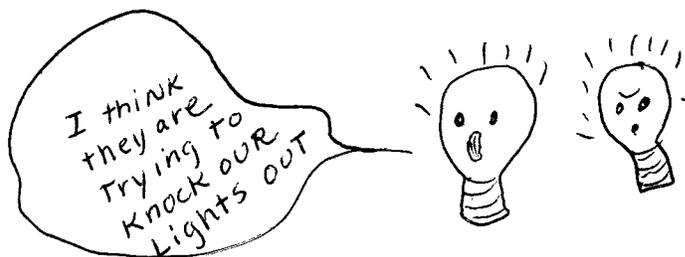
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Thank You
Barbara Glensyer
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Elmira, Or 97437

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Barbara Glenzer
25292 Arnold Ln.
Elmira, OR 97437



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5/9/03

Steve Wright; BPA. Administrator%

Dear Sir:

In regard to the proposed increase in power, supplied by B.P.A.

This is the "first" time I have ever written a letter to an official.

I am female, 79 yrs old, widowed, living on social security. I have lived on this 10 acre rural, forestland for 26 years. Our power (Electricity) is supplied through Lane Electric Coop.

In those 26 years, the cost of electricity has gone from reasonable to unaffordable.

My monthly bill is straining my budget to the limit.

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I truly enjoy and appreciate the wonderful convenience of electricity, which pumps the well water, cooks, and operates all my appliances.

But its getting to the point that I don't know if I can afford it.

Thank you for reading this.

Sincerely,
Geraldine Gunn

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GERALDINE L. GUNN
82040 BEAR CREEK ROAD
CRESWELL, OR 97426

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Dave Harvey
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**Mr. Stephan J. Wright
Bonneville Power Administration
PO Box 3621
Portland, Oregon 97208**



Mr. Wright

Please rethink raising the power rates in 2003.

Our jobs are on the line, and the small towns in Whatcom County depend on Entalco Aluminum to keep their schools and Roads up to date.

Thank You

Dave Harvey

SN-03-W-1178

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Steve Wright 5/9/03

We are writing this
to say as senior citizens
we have had enough of
power increases. We are
on a limited income &
have cut as much as we
can on the use of electricity.
Please find other ways for
this & help us people out.
Thank you.

Mr & Mrs Merivint Jurgat
PO Box 25
Blachly, OR. 97412

Copies sent to Gordon Smith,
Ron Wyden & Peter DeFazio +
ORECA

Electric companies - Blachly Lane

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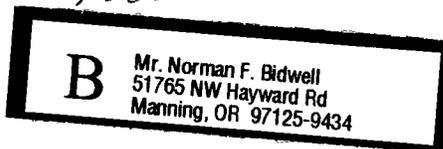
Mr. Wright - Sir:

We understand you are considering another rate increase. Would it be possible to cut administrative costs etc. rather than increasing rates at a time when the economy is slow and so many are job less?

Please consider the unemployed in this matter and the seniors on low income.

Thank you
Sincerely.

Norman Bidwell



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Oakridge, Or
May 9 - 63

To Steve Wright B.P.A Administrator,
For us older people on a pension we just get by the way it is and if it keeps getting higher we will have to give up something. Whether its food or clothes and it makes it hard for us to be able to do the things we would like to. In order to pay higher price tag on power or anything we have to make adjustments. We don't live like wealthy people we keep everything as low as we can so we can maybe can keep up with medicine & other things that are need. I am hoping you won't raise our power and leave us wondering what we can cut next. Please think about all us Senior people that just can't afford anymore raises in heat & lights. I hope you will please look at it in the Seniors eyes. Please and thank you for reading my letter.

Mrs Hazel B. Lyons ⁸⁰
P.O. Box 1247 ^{4/22/63}
Oakridge, Or 97463

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5-6-03

Mr Steve Wright
BPA Administrator
Bonneville Power
PO Box 3621
Portland, Or. 97208

Mr. Steve Wright as
a customer of one of the
Northwest Utilities I am
writing you to find other
sources of costs (such as
salaries & perks of all kinds)
instead of rate hikes
being even considered
for raising again.
Enough has more
than been a burden
to all of us.
Bonnie Robinson

cc: Senator Gordon Smith
Senator Ron Wyden



Bonnie L. Robinson
3250 Duncan Ave. NE
Salem, OR 97303

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Mrs. Jay S. Putnam
P.O. Box 1336
Oakridge, OR 97463-1336



Postcard

Hi Steve! Have you ever heard of Oakridge? Cool Paradise!
I'm a "cool" octogenarian & damned darn cool in winter w/ such high elec rates \$100++ hence 23¢ postcard - and how about BPA - C.E.O.s etc. cutting salaries, costs before raising rates - BPA is freezing us out! Are your mom & Dad comfy? Uncle Rex Putnam (Sebbola) must be twirling in his grave!
Coolly,
Mrs. J. S. Putnam
Copy to Senators Smith & Wyden
U.S. Rep. Peter DeFazio

Mr. Steve Wright
P.O. Box 3621
Portland, Or.
97208-3621

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May 6, 2007

DR. MR WRIGHT

Please look at other options other than a rate increase as this would cause the lose of my job in the Aluminum Industry & put my family in severe hardship at this time

Sincerely
David Glad



DAVID A & GLENDA GLAD
4511 RURAL AVE
BELLINGHAM WA 98226-9229

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May 08, 2003

Mr. Steve Wright,
BPA Administrator
PO Box 3621
Portland, OR 97208-3621

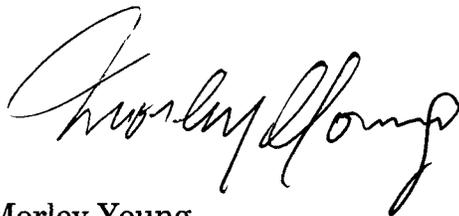
Dear Mr. Wright:

Since 1991, my electric rates have risen by approximately 50 percent. This was due partly to the greed of Enron and their co-conspirators, but it was largely due to the incompetence of the administrators of BPA, who let themselves be stampeded into buying ridiculously high priced electricity on the spot market. A layman of normal intelligence wouldn't have made such a blunder; I can't understand how professionals could have done such a silly thing.

Now you want to hit us with another increase, despite the fact that our incomes haven't risen nearly enough to compensate for the extra cost. My wife and I survive on Social Security and a small pension, and we are kept busy scrimping and saving to get by as it is.

Let me suggest an alternative to a rate increase: Efficiency in the operation of BPA. Electrical utility professionals with whom I am acquainted have very little regard for your economy or business sense. Electric rate payers don't have bottomless pockets they reach into to pay their bills. It's time for you to get your costs down. Go through your organization and weed out the deadwood, or we will have Congress do it for you.

If this letter sounds angry, it's because I am very angry. There is no excuse for your bungling. You have three choices: Straighten up, resign or get fired.



Morley Young
26916 Highway 36, No. 26
Cheshire, OR 97419

c.c.: Rep. Peter DeFazio,
Sen. Gordon Smith,
Sen. Ron Wyden

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BPA ADMINISTRATOR
P O Box 3621
Portland, OR. 97208-3621

May 9, 03

Attn: Steve Wright

As a rate payor, I am wondering why you feel BPA need a rate change in these poor economic times. You are loosing clients every day in th northwest and I fail to see. BPA SHould be swimming in Megawatts. Much of the surplus will end up i in Southern California. Let them pay the higher rates.

Respectfully



Lloyd H. Satterlee Jr.
P.O.Box 4443
Sunriver, OR. 97707-1443

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May 8, 2003

Steve Fellas
81174 Bear Rd.
Seaside, OR.
97138-6058

Dear Mr. Steve Wright;

I'm writing to you on the Power of Community. My new home which I had build has installation R-38 in the floors, and R-30 in the ceilings and R-21 in the perimeter of the home and is well sealed.

But I would very much like to see a affordable rates in are area near the Camp 18 restaurant.

My heat has been wood for years, and does keep the electric bill down some. Also thru West Oregon Electric I have got the new water heater Marathon, and hope that the costs willbe down with the live time water heater.

West Oregon Electric has maintained a high quailty maintance in are area and ther has been far less power outages since I've lived here for 25 years.

Sincerely

Steve Fellas
Steve Fellas

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Don Mack [mack@everett.com]
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2003 8:59 PM
To: comment@bpa.gov
Subject: Request to Offset Increase in BPA Rate Increase

Dear Mr. Wright,

I ask that you offset any raise in rates by doing administrative cost-cutting. Please try to offset the raise to the point where it is unnecessary. Thank you.

Don Mack
mack@everett.com
(360) 568-0187

The Earth and Sun are about 5 billion years old;
the Sun will become a Red Giant in about 5 billion years
ending the solar system as we know it.

5/13/2003

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From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2003 8:25 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: No Rate Increase For BPA

-----Original Message-----

From: Douglas J. McMaster [mailto:dougjm@earthlink.net]
Sent: Saturday, May 10, 2003 6:55 AM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Cc: oreca@oreca.org
Subject: No Rate Increase For BPA

Mr. Steve Wright,

We have had enough rate increases. It is time for the BPA to do what every business has had to learn to do in order to survive as a profitable entity. Don't raise your rates to the customer. Look inside your organization and cut wasteful overhead and non-value added costs.

Thank you,
Douglas J. McMaster
Production Manager
Pierce Corporation

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2003 8:25 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Donna [mailto:donnamm@gorge.net]
Sent: Saturday, May 10, 2003 3:26 PM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Subject:

I am writing to let you know the increase for power rates are very hard for me. I do not have insurance for medicine and have a lot of expense there also. I am living on social security. I am a widow. I have to hire help for cleaning and lawn mowing. I do not have family near by to help me.

You should look at cutting administrative and overhead cost before raising rates again to NW utilities and their customers.

I hope you help. Thank you
Donna Martinson 3689 Mud Alley Dr, Hood River, Oregon 97031

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2003 8:25 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: Rate Increases

-----Original Message-----

From: RDLauer@aol.com [mailto:RDLauer@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, May 10, 2003 4:40 PM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Subject: Rate Increases

Dear Mr. Wright, (BPA): I am writing out of concern for electricity rates. We are a member of Lane Electric Cooperative in Lane County, OR. We sincerely appreciate their operation and interest in their customers. They are doing a good job. I understand that they buy their power from BPA. And I also understand that factors indicate that higher prices for electricity are in the offering due to several factors. We have had big increases in the immediate past. We are a small business owner, the resort business, and a good size electricity user. Increases in the past have made it so that we have had to increase our rates to our customers. And these economic times make it difficult for people to continue to pay higher rates. It is our hope that another increase is not going to happen. This will be a burden upon us and our customers. We know that this is a difficult time for the power producers, much of which not their own doing. But we hope that administrative and overhead costs can be curtailed so that electrical rates at the consumer level will not have to be raised. Thanks for listening.

Richard and Doris Lauer
Caddisfly Resort
56404 McKenzie Hwy, McKenzie Bridge, OR 97413
(541) 822-3556
rdlauer@aol.com

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2003 8:26 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: HIGH POWER RATES

-----Original Message-----

From: Mike Beitz [mailto:beitzataandw@earthlink.net]
Sent: Saturday, May 10, 2003 9:35 PM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov; oreca@oreca.org
Subject: HIGH POWER RATES

Mr. Wright: I believe what you people are doing is trying to put the small business people out of business, so you can developed more businesses like Enron. In the last year, between my home and small fast food restaurant, the power rates, min. wage, and all the other rate increases, I may have to close my business, if we have another year of increases like this last year. I think it's time to cut some of the chiefs, along with their wage. When you and your managers work as many hours as I do for the same wage as I do then you can think about raising rates again. There has to be an end to it. The administrative costs can and must be cut. Michael B Beitz
PO BOX 720
Oakridge, Oregon 97463

May 12, 2003

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2003 8:27 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Jim Ulrey [mailto:gjulrey@starband.net]
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2003 7:37 AM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Cc: oreca@oreca.org; greg.walden@mail.house.gov
Subject:

Hello,

I am requesting that the BPA use cost cutting means rather than the proposed increase in power rates scheduled this fall.

All of us on "fixed" incomes have been hit hard during these tough economic times and an increase in power rates at this time would "cripple" many people in our area.

Please give this your utmost consideration.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

James N. Ulrey

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May 12-03

To: Steve Wright
concerning: proposed rate increase

I am writing in response to the proposed rate increase to take effect this fall. My husband and I are retired and the rate increase is a real problem as we have not had any adjustment in our income to help take care of the many rising cost that we are seeing - Also we have a son who is self employed and these small businesses are the backbone of our economy and to price them out of business is a very bad thing for everyone.

I am writing to our two Senators, Gordon Smith and Ron Wyden concerning this subject. Also Rep. Greg Walden

Thank you

Alfred L. Borton
D. Jeanne Borton

A & DJ BORTON
PO BOX 67
ODELL, OR 97044

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: elarson996@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2003 12:45 PM
To: BPA Information
Subject: External Generic (NOTA) information request

NOTE: A copy of what the sender submitted on the form was e-mailed back to them.

Submitter: Eugene Larson

Their e-mail address: elarson996@aol.com

Date Submitted : 2003 May 14 US Pacific Time 12:45:03 PM

Their address:

2457 West Shore Drive
Lummi Island, WA 98262

Their telephone: 360 758 2702

Their request or Comment:

Attention Stephen J. Wright
Administrator

Dear Mr. Wright:

A brief e mail of personal and Corporate support for you and the BPA and your necessary rate increase. Yout long term responsibility to the health of the BPA, its economic future and the management of power pricing and distribution for all citizens and industry of the Northwest is under attack by private interest groups. I, and out Company, incourage you to continue to act in the long term interest of BPA and our region and not sell electricity for export as Aluminum ingots.

Many realize that Alcoa will close the Washington smelters and that they are developing smelting capacity offshore where power generating and environmental conditions favor export. If you were to make short term decisions in Alcoa's interest, the long term will be made more difficult for all of us in the Northwest.

Regards,
Gene Larson
Board of Directors
Sonotech Inc.
Bellingham, Wa 360 758 2702
elarson996@aol.com

Technical web information on submitter.

Page they were on before submitting form:
<http://www.bpa.gov/corporate/kc/home/contact.cfm>

The IP address user is at: 198.81.26.234

The screen resolution of their browser (Width x Height): 800 600

The type of browser used: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; AOL 8.0; Windows 98)

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Leslie Henley [lhenley@morsesteel.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2003 11:21 AM
To: comment@bpa.gov
Subject: No rate hike

I want to voice my grave concern of the proposed rate increase being passed on to Intalco Aluminum in Ferndale WA. (AKA Alcoa) In these difficult economic times Whatcom County will be financially devastated if Intalco has to close down and lay off 700 people who were earning living wages! Please DO NOT pass your rate increase to Intalco. Find better ways to offset your expenses.

Sincerely,
Leslie Henley
1321 Heritage Hills Court
Bellingham WA
98226

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Barb Chase [barb.chase@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2003 10:21 AM
To: comment@bpa.gov; gsmith@senate.gov; Greg.Walden@mail.house.gov;
wyden@senate.gov/contact.html
Subject: BPA Proposal to Increase Rates
Importance: High

Dear Sirs:

It is my understanding that the BPA is planning on another rate increase 15% this year. How can we as consumers survive. I am entering retirement soon and find it very scary to look ahead at the cost of living increases that come at me regularly. I wonder if I will be able to comfortably retire or be forced back to work.

PLEASE look at other optional cutbacks that will equally reduce the cost of this power. Maybe these can take place internally somehow. PLEASE don't increase rates again.... It is bad enough to face my increase medical premiums. This is just another blow that will not allow people of retirement age to retire,

Thank you for hearing me out and for considering the needs of the people.

Barbara Chase

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From: Junie Moses [herm-hc@uci.net]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2003 9:34 AM
To: Mr. Steve Wright, BPA Administrator; Senator Gordon Smith; Representative, Greg Walden; Senator Ron Wyden
Subject: BPA Proposed Rate Increase - Safety Net CRAC

Gentlemen:

As a customer of Umatilla Electric Cooperative (UEC), both at home & business an additional increase at this time is not something I want to see happen. BPA choosing this as a method to restore their financial health is an outrage. As, it is destroying the financial health of both private citizens and businesses in our region in doing so. I just wonder if BPA needs to be reminded their is an alternative method that should be their first option....which is trimming their spending to keep within their budget. Which is what those of us in the real world must do.

I hope that everyone of you will be responsible, preventing my rates from being increased an additional 15% in October 2003.

Respectfully yours,

Junie Moses, Office Mgr.
Hermiston Home Center, Inc.
& private citizen

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Dale O Gjerding [res0hz8q@verizon.net]

Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2003 6:21 PM

To: Comment@bpa.gov

A rate increase of 15%. The PUD's rates are already the highest in the state. Get out of town. Step down from your position. Go get a job with McDonalds where you can't do any harm.

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From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2003 3:55 PM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: Rate increases

-----Original Message-----

From: Diane Jette [mailto:djette@worldstar.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2003 3:48 PM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Subject: Rate increases

Dear Steve, In my household, my husband and I watch our expenditures by shutting off all lights when we're not in the room, turning off the water while brushing our teeth, being careful to drive efficiently etc. Please do the same with the BPA budget (metaphorically speaking) and save us from more rate increases. Thank you. D Jette

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2003 12:56 PM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: Electric rates

-----Original Message-----

From: casmas@juno.com [mailto:casmas@juno.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2003 10:39 PM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Cc: oreca@oreca.org
Subject: Electric rates

Dear Mr. Wright,

We live in central Oregon and get our power from Midstate Electric. They have tried their best to keep our rates down, but now we hear there is a possibility of Bonneville Power raising the rates considerably this fall.

We certainly are not in favor of getting a higher bill. We are senior citizens on a fixed income, and we have a wood stove which helps so much with the heating part of our bill. We're so thankful for that stove, but know that other seniors need to pay a higher bill because they have another form of heating their home.

Please do what you can to keep your costs down so we won't see the increase in rates that are proposed. Our annual Midstate meeting will be this Saturday in La Pine, and I know there will be a lot of discussion about a rate increase. Please do what you can to keep the rates low.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Chuck and Mary Ann Sellentin
52192 Elderberry Lane
La Pine, OR 97739

Our members of Congress are Senator Gordon Smith
Senator Roy Wyden
Rep. Greg Walden

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 8:13 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: My life

-----Original Message-----

From: Sally M Gallegos [mailto:santos_gallegos@juno.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2003 6:06 PM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Cc: president@whitehouse.gov; vicepresident@whitehouse.gov;
the.secretary@hq.doe.gov
Subject: My life

Mr. Wright....I am a mother of three. I have spent a good part of my life worrying about my children. I worry about a wide variety of things that most parents worry about such as stranger abductions, their education, their health. I have had my hands full in the health department. My twins, my husband as well as myself have hypothyroid. My husband also has type 2 diabetes. For a long time we where receiving state paid medical for our children and food stamps, that is until about 4 years ago when my husband received and employment opportunity at Alcoa Intalco Works. We where finally able to get our own medical benefits. I cant tell you what that has meant to us to know that we could afford to pay taxes into a system that we had to continually depend on even though my husband has always had employment. Eight dollars an hour in Washington state does not go very far for a family of five with a mortgage and a car payment. We could finally walk with our heads up and look forward to life for a change. Well this week that all came to a screeching halt. My husband was notified that he has been laid off from Alcoa. Now I know worries like I never had before. We have alot of bills, none of them for anything frivolous, we try our hardest to not live beyond our means but the bills are still there. I am very upset that this seems to be nothing but a game of numbers to all of you. There are people here that already cant afford your power rates. I get disconnect notices on a regular basis because I have to decide what is more important some days food, prescription co-pays, or bills. Whatcom County and its surrounding areas need this plant, they don't need an increase in power rates at a time when all of the nation is suffering with the economy. The employment opportunities they provide as well as secondary employment provides alot of revenue to our area. Area businesses will suffer, families will suffer, no one will be able to pay your ridiculous rates. You people have made a mess which I don't think is our responsibility to suffer through. You are messing with peoples lives. People who cant afford to live here and cannot find employment are talking about leaving the area. Then the rest of us will be burdened with those shortfalls as well? The economy in the pacific northwest is suffering. . There will be no new business looking to start up production in the area because they cannot afford the cost, just the same as Alcoa. How are you contributing to boosting the economy? How does making the rates unreasonable encourage growth in the area? I don't know what we are going to do now I am numb inside. How do you sleep at night? We will lose our medical benefits and that is worth more to me than all the money that we made in the short time we where with Alcoa. You cannot continue to bleed people for your mistakes and shortcomings. What are you going to do? How will you make a difference?

From: Stauffer, Nicki - A-7 on behalf of Wright, Stephen J - A-7
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 8:13 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: where is your head?

-----Original Message-----

From: Sally M Gallegos [mailto:santos_gallegos@juno.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2003 6:18 PM
To: sjwright@bpa.gov
Cc: president@whitehouse.gov; vicepresident@whitehouse.gov;
the.secretary@hq.doe.gov
Subject: where is your head?

Do you care about anyone but yourself. The rates you want to impose on us are outrageous. I as well as other families we know are already unable to pay your ridiculous rates. Why do you continue to make mistakes and expect to use us to come up with funds to cover up your shortfalls. Working families do not deserve this. People who have already lost jobs in the area due to our crappy economy do not deserve this. I think you should have your job threatened and see how fast you change your tune. Maybe the prospect of food stamps and medical conditions you cannot afford to see the doctor for will have an effect on you. Maybe having someone come reposes your vehicle the only one you have to look for employment that doesn't really exist will force you to have a reality check. What is it going take. WHY NOT JUST TAKE RESPONSIBILITY.... stop punishing the people who pay your wages. Don't forget that while you are trying to sleep tonight...

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Telephone Comment by Ginny Kuehn
5/15/2003

Terry Fischer
Bellingham, WA

360-676-8210

I work at the Alcoa Aluminum Plant and they have begun layoffs as you are probably aware and I am very worried about my job. And now I am hearing that the final decision will not be made until August on our power rate increase. I am worried that there will be continued layoffs and as it get closer we may loose our jobs and the plant running just because of the tenancy that we are going through now. It is going to look less viable to start up the third line operation, so Alcoa may just bail out. So I am really worried about this and would hope if this is going to be lessened or not any increased possibility word starts to get out that we don't take out work force down to where can't run.

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May 10, 2003

Steve Wright
BPR Administrator
P.O. Box 3621
Portland, Or 97208

Re: Rate Increase

Dear Mr. Knight

Please - enough now! No more increases. I have heard from a friend of mine who serves on the Board for a PUD that it is the desire to increase rates for the west Coast to match those on the east Coast.

Please consider the average wage earned here in Oregon does not begin to be as high as those on the east Coast, our unemployment rate is very high,

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with more lay-offs announced every day - our residences are not able to fund our State, County and school needs - so how are we supposed to afford another power increase.

Those of us living on fixed incomes received a 1 1/2 % Social Security increase and that does not begin to keep up with medical, dental, eye care, insurance and grocery increases. We are not receiving any interest to speak of on our "retirement" plans - we are falling behind.

It has to stop somewhere - let it be with your organization, we are having to make Cuts & Sacrifices so shouldn't your group do the same.

I am sure you have and are - but enough is enough - we can't afford an increase.

Sincerely

Norma L. Halbrook
77189 Mabry Cr - Cotton Grove
Or 97424

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9 May 03
Cottage Grove, Oregon

to

BPA administrator Steve Wright

The rate increases have made my house very cold. I am retired and with my wife try to live on \$994 a month Soc Sec Benefits.

I would ask that you look at cutting administrative and overhead costs before raising rates again to Northwest utilities and their customers.

Sincerely, D. P. Holbrook

Senator Gordon Smith, 404 Russell Bldg., WDC 20510
EMAIL at www.senate.gov/~gsmith/webform.htm

Senator Ron Wyden 516 Hart Bldg. WDC 20510
EMAIL at wyden.senate.gov/contact.html

Representative Peter DeFazio 2134 Rayburn Bldg. WDC 20515
EMAIL at defazio.house.gov/emailme.shtml

DR Holbrook
17189 Mosby Creek Road
Cottage Grove, Oregon
97424

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937 Moneda, N.
Salem, Or. 97303
May 12, 2003

Mr. Steve Wright
P.O. Box 3621
Portland, Or. 97208-3621

Dear Mr. Wright:

I am sure there are places at the top that can cut expenses.

In my area there are many people who do not have jobs. Many of them have young children. This is an area where people are going hungry. I would like to see a cut in electric costs.

Do I give to the food bank? Yes, I'm in my 80s and I would like to see Bonneville Power change its ways so that the people can eat, have light to read and heat, and pay for medicine.

Sincerely,
Maysel Grow

P.S. Are you aware that there are 200,000 people going hungry in this state?

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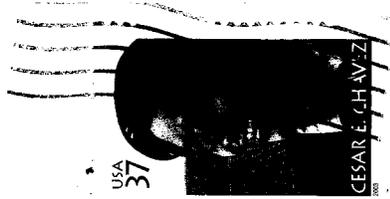
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This aerial view of Norfolk shows just a few of the many things to see and do. Nauticus, Town Point Park, The Spirit of Norfolk, Waterside and Harbor Park are all on the waterfront.

Photo by Bill Gaertner



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Mr. Wright: As a member of Mid-State Electric Coop, La Pine, Oregon; I urge you not to ask for a rate increase for NorthWest Utilities this fall. Sincerely,
Mary Ann Kollenberg

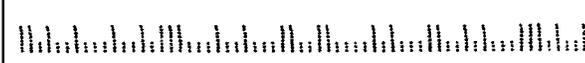
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May 12, 2003

Jennifer Bejcek
PO Box 1062
Kelso, WA 98626

Stephen Wright, BPA Administrator
905 NE 11th Ave
Portland, OR 97232

Dear Mr. Wright:

The purpose of my letter today is to tell you my opinion on the proposed rate increase on your wholesale power to my local Cowlitz PUD. Well, I have no problem with businesses making a profit whether it is a big business or a small business. I do have a problem though with the fact that it seems that BPA thinks that just because we have to have electricity to live, that you can charge whatever you need to charge in order to stay in business. I understand that we recently had an energy crisis and that is mainly due to weather conditions, however, we didn't always have an energy crisis. I didn't see you guys lowering your rates any because of it. I'm sure you guys were bringing in some good profits when there was no energy crisis (Good, I'm glad...that's why your in business), but you could have invested those profits (over the past 10+ yrs) and prepared for a "rainy day" or a "dry day" in this case. That is what we have to do in our lives. We have to save what little we have left over after paying taxes, mortgage, utilities, food, vehicle expenses, child care, and then were expected invest in retirement, and college funds X 3 kids. So many costs are increasing: food, insurance, taxes, child care, fuel, and the only thing helping out is the decrease in mortgage rates, which is due the current bear market.

It is not going to help our economy to increase our utility costs even more. It might help you out, but I think it's just an excuse, just an "out" because you can increase rates....so you're going to. Just because you can, doesn't mean that you should.

I'm sure you heard of businesses not making a profit, maybe your going through that right now. That's life! You're not always going to make a profit. That's why they made stores called "Check 'N Go". Sometimes things happen in our lives and instead of an energy crisis, we have a medical problem or our car breaks down. We can't go to our boss and tell them to increase our salary by the amount we are short that month. Life isn't fair but you have to deal with it. Don't take the easy way out. Figure it out. I know I'm not right about everything. But I'm right about the important things.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Bejcek
24 year old Wife, Mother, Home Owner, US Citizen

cc: U.S. Senator Maria Cantwell, U.S. Senator Patty Murray, U.S. Congressman Brian Baird

SN-03-W-1209

MAY 15 2003

BPA Administrator
Steve Wright
P O Box 3621
Portland, Or. 97208-3621

May 12, 2003

RE: Utility Increase

Mr. Wright,

Our income from our businesses have been decreasing for the past 3 years and another rate increase is stressful on our business. We have had to survive on less money and you have had one rate increase and now asking for another. We feel this is not sound economics. We have not had pay increases in over 5 years. Would your office staff be willing to submit documentation which will show NO pay increases in the past 5 years? If the Bonneville Power Administration was run like a normal business, you would not be able to make increases every time your staff wanted a raise or you feel a DESIRE to increase. YOUR business would be on a restricted budget like the rest of the community and businesses which are making do with less funds.

Regards,

Emmett D. Bailey
Emmett Bailey Trucking
P O Box 406
Odell, Or. 97044

cc: Sen. Gordon Smith
Sen. Ron Wyden
US Rep. Greg Walden
ORECA

SN-03-W-1210

MAY 15 2003

5-12-2003

STEVE WRIGHT BPA ADMINISTRATOR.
P.O. BOX 3621
PORTLAND, OR. 97208-3621

Dear. Steve Wright:

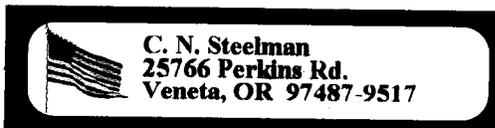
Would you do something about our
high electric bills. Please.

Sincerely Clint Steelman

Thank you

Senator Gordon Smith
404 Russell Bldg;
WDC 20510

Senator Ron Wyden
516 Hart Bldg;
WDC 20510



Thank Again

SN-03-W-1211

MAY 15 2003

Dear Mr. Wright-

We have been told our electric rates are going to be increased this fall.

Our life has become very bleak, fear is at our side waking and sleeping. Food, auto gas loss of perscription coverage taxes ect. Do to loss of perscriptions We buy our drugs a \$800 per month we are short \$230⁰⁰ and no money for food.

My husband can't work. I can hunt for part time jobs but market is slow and I am 69yr old. I also think of the younger familey with low pay no INSURANCE coverage all cost are going up for them as well.

It seems we are going backwards schools get cut elder care cut hospitals cut all need heat and again the cost is passed down to us

My question is how and why is this happening in our nation. I fear we are becoming a 3rd world nation faster & faster Please re think the move you are about to make.

copise sent to -
Senator Smith
Senator Wyden
Representation Di Pazio
ORECA

Thankyou,
Mr & Mrs J.W. Moore
24188 Warthen Rd.
Elmira, Or 97437
ph# 541-435-5946

May 8, 2003 MAY 15 2003
Don Kniley
51190 Blue River Drive
Finn Rock OR 97488

Bonneville Power Administration
Administrator: Mr. Steve Wright
PO Box 3621
Portland, OR, 97208-3621
Dear Mr. Wright

I am encouraged to write to you to express my appreciation for your efforts to administer such a large and valuable enterprise for the benefit of the Pacific Northwest community. In previous months news of mans greed and selfishness has caused the general public, your power consumer, much anxiety and sacrifice, relative to the cost of our precious electricity. You have many pressures upon you from I am sure numerous sources both political and natural. The Lord controls the weather but it takes a strong and dedicated person to evaluate the needs of the public against the policies of mans politics. We can do nothing to change the available water to your system but I encourage you to do whatever you are able to maintain a fair and equitable operation for the millions of families dependent on your valuable product. I will pray for the Lords guidance and strength to do the best for all concerned. Thank you again for your efforts.

Don Kniley

SN-03-W-12

MAY 15 2003

May 12, 2003

Steve Wright
BPA Administrator
P.O. Box 3621
Portland, OR 97208-3621

Dear Sir:

We have been reading about your intent to increase the electric rate in the near future and are deeply concerned.

It seems you could absorb these increases by lowering your overhead cost, administrative costs, and other expenses before passing the increase onto utility companies and finally us.

We cannot, as a older couple on a fixed income, afford any future increases.

Please consider other alternatives before you pass any increases onto the public.

J & R FUSON
24730 Deming Ridge
ELMIRA, OR 97437

Sincerely
James Fuson
Reyna Fuson

SN-03-W-1214

MAY 15 2003

5875 Third Street, NW

Tillamook, OR 97141

May 10, 2003

Mr. Steve Wright, BPA
P.O. Box 3621
Portland, OR 97208-3621

Dear Mr. Wright,

As a customer (with an all-electric house) of a consumer-owned electric utility that buys power from BPA, I am worried about my electric bill. BPA's charges have risen rapidly since October, 2001 and now BPA is asking for a 25% Safety Net, CRAC, this October.

The Pacific Northwest is hurting from a bad economy and high unemployment. We cannot begin to recover with another increase in our power bills.

BPA has greatly exceeded its own budget and it must recognize the part it played in our dismal economy. It must solve its own budget crisis and we, the customers, must not suffer more. The answer to these high prices is in BPA's control - IT MUST FIND WAYS TO CUT COSTS.

Sincerely,
Bertha Ann Phillips

cc - Darlene Hooley

SN-03-W-1215

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Doug Spittler [dugga@pacifier.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 3:13 PM
To: comment@bpa.gov
Subject: More rate increases???

Dear Mr. Wright;

I've been unable to mow parts of my yard this year because, for the first time in many years, it's a swamp.

But I'll bet "lack of water" is going to be a primary reason to raise rates yet again, right?

Now, I sympathize with BPA's rate problems, but the fact is, neither I nor most of the other residential customers in this state had anything at all to do with the manipulations of the market that were the primary reasons for the current state of affairs. We didn't manipulate the spot market, nor sign utterly ridiculous contracts for the state of California, or even re-sell our electrons to anyone else to make our fortunes.

Therefore, I thoroughly resent the current 88.5% increase in rates in the last two years - my pension certainly hasn't expanded by anywhere near a like amount - and I resent the extra sweaters I have to implore my wife to wear because we have electric heating. And yes, I've already done all the insulating that's practical, no one gets burned in our showers, and most of my lights are florescent. My only other available step now, is to convert to gas heating. Which I'll do if rates continue their upward trend. Unfortunately, we already know the story that's next in line, i.e., "People aren't using enough electricity, so we'll have to raise rates again." How about trying more efficiency at the originating end?

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,

Doug Spittler
425 Spencer Crk. Rd.
Kalama, WA 98625

MAY 16 2003

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: richard woodson [richardwoodson@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 4:16 PM
To: comment@bpa.gov
Cc: maria@cantwell.senate.gov
Subject: bpa rate increases

PLEASE - No more BPA rate increases for this year - Us retirees are hurting enough!

Richard Woodson - P O Box 639 - Kalama, WA. 98625

5/16/2003

SN-03-W- 1217

MAY 16 2003

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Burt and Lois Holmes [BurtLois@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2003 3:10 PM
To: gwvincent@bpa.gov; jsviskov@bpa.gov
Subject: Power Business Site Comments Form

firstname: Burt and Lois
lastname: Holmes
e-mail: BurtLois@aol.com
telephone:
org: Private

comment: We are writng in concern about the future of Intalco and what it means to our community. It will be devastating to this area to have the plant close down. There will be alot of jobs lost and alot of family lives disrupted. We have been a family that has lived in Whatcom County for over thirty years, and do not want to see this happen.

The following information is from the web server:

1. Logon: IUSR_GRANITE
2. Remote Host: cache-ntc-ah12.proxy.aol.com
3. Remote IP Address: 198.81.26.241
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5. Browser Client: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 5.5; AOL 6.0; Windows 95)

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Lodi Slosson [lodislosson@juno.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2003 3:26 PM
To: gwvincent@bpa.gov; jsviskov@bpa.gov
Subject: Power Business Site Comments Form

firstname: Lodi
lastname: Slosson
e-mail: lodislosson@juno.com
telephone: (360) 398-7229
org: Bank NorthWest
comment: Concerns about closure to the Alcoa/Intalco Aluminum Plant in Ferndale, WA. These jobs are needed to keep our communities going and provide for our children's education. Do not raise power rates, find a solution. If we all stopped using power, where would you be? -- out of a job, no doubt! Please help our communities!

The following information is from the web server:

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MAY 16 2003

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Ruark12@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 6:07 PM
To: comment@bpa.gov
Subject: BPA Rate Increase

We believe the increase in Electric rates is not necessary at this time.
Cut the costs. We are Senior Citizens on fixed income.

Member of Umatilla Electric Coop.

Robert & Patricia Ruark

MAY 16 2003

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: John & Beth Creason [creason@oregontrail.net]
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 7:49 PM
To: comment@bpa.gov
Subject: Power Rates

To Mr. Steve Wright,

Hello, I'm a member of Umatilla Electric Coop. I've been informed that the BPA doesn't seem to be cutting costs all it can to get us through this period of expensive power. I sincerely hope this isn't true and I'd like to say that my electric bill is becoming pretty burdensome. Please do everything possible to keep rates at least where they are. I appreciate your time and consideration. Sincerely, John D. Creason Irrigon OR.

5/16/2003

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MAY 16 2003

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: OldJayBee@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 6:50 PM
To: patrich.wood@ferc.gov
Cc: comment@bpa.gov
Subject: RTO

Neither we in PacNW or the entire West Coast need the RTO. The state of Washington and to a lesser degree the state of Oregon have been providing a predominant amount of electric power to the west coast for the past 50 years and have been doing an adequate job. Please accept what we have to offer under our current contribution and don't let the federal bureaucrat inflict added expenses on our already overburdened citizens. Old Jay Bee @aol.com

MAY 16 2003

813 Sycamore St.
Moses Lake, Wash. 98837
May 9, 2003
Re: Proposed rate increase

Steve Wright
Bonneville Power Administration
P.O. Box 3621
Portland, Oregon 97208 - 3621

Dear Mr. Wright,

Please advise us as to why you advocate a 25% power increase in wholesale power rates in the coming year after an approximate 50% boost in 2002. Your manpower salaries did not increase this much in two years. Most of your raw materials are river waters and equipment or building maintenance materials.

May I suggest your rates for power be raised by the similar amount of the cost of living. The users of your power operate on a balanced budget: something I wish the Federal agencies understood. This would provide users with a realistic guide in preparing balanced budgets for our businesses and PUD's, state, county, local governments, school districts and others who have to operate within the revenue we receive.

Sincerely,

M.G. McLanahan



Sally McLanahan



cc: Senator Patty Murray
Senator Maria Cantwell
Congressman Doc Hastings
Grant County PUD #2 Commissioners

SN-03-W- 1223

Leon S. Yaggy
49363 Eagle Rock Place
Vida, Oregon 97488
(541) 822-3527

MAY 16 2003

May 13, 2003

Mr. Steve Wright
BPA Administrator
PO Box 3621
Portland, OR 97208-3621

Dear Sir,

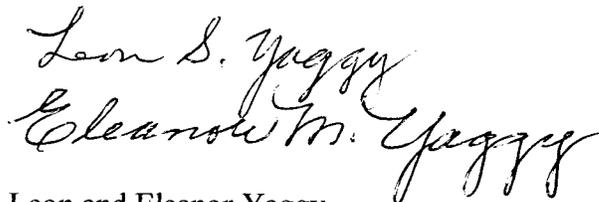
As a member of Lane Electric Cooperative, I am writing to you to urge you to concentrate on the reduction of BPA's administrative and overhead costs, rather than to consider another increase in the rate which our cooperative must pay for electric power. The rate increases that have already occurred have made it necessary for our cooperative to pass much of these costs along to members, significantly increasing our electric bills.

Even though we have an energy-efficient home, our bills, which never exceeded \$100 per month until recent years, now go over \$150 in the winter months. While this is not high compared to the bills of some of our friends and neighbors, it has been one of the reasons that we have had to dig deeper into our retirement savings, because monthly costs have exceeded our fixed income. We know that other members have been impacted even more than we.

We have been very conscious of the good fortune that has been ours to have Bonneville as an energy source, and have not taken it for granted. And, we do not doubt that you are faced with difficult choices and budget pressures. We just want you to be aware that there are consequences for the end users of power generated by BPA when rates are increased.

Thank you for your attention to our concerns.

Very truly yours,



Leon and Eleanor Yaggy

cc: Senator Gordon Smith
Senator Ron Wyden
Representative Peter DeFazio

SN-03-W-1224

MAY 16 2003

April 22, 2003

Helma Lewis
1917 Van Slyk Rd
Euerson, WA 98247
360) 966-2409

Steven Wright
Administrator
BPA
PO Box 3621
Portland, Oregon
97208

Dear Mr Wright,

I would like to know why ^{you} want our husbands to be put out of work? Why do we have to suffer when it was you who made the lousy investments and couldn't follow your budget? I can not understand your willingness to sacrifice my livelihood for your mistakes. I cannot understand why you want to take food out of the mouths of my 3 little grand daughters by causing their daddy to lose his job.

Please Mr Wright find it in your self to be a Champion and make an agreement which will work. Wouldn't you love to hear praise because you came up with a workable solution for everyone?

Help us to make you a Champion so the next letter I write to you would be a Thank You letter!

Sincerely

Helma Lewis
Spouse of an Inlaleo worker
Mother-in-law of an Inlaleo
worker

SN-03-W-1225

MAY 16 2003

May 6, 2003

Mr. Steve Wright, Administrator
Bonneville Power Administration
PO Box 3621
Portland, OR 97208-3621

Subject: 25% increase for utility costs should be a non-starter

Dear Mr. Wright.

My husband and I are customers of Peninsula Light Company, a consumer-owned utility that buys electricity from the BPA. Our costs have increased recently—up to 30%, and we've installed a new heat pump system to try to offset these types of increases. Quite frankly, we're concerned about our electrical expenses, particularly because we are senior citizens on a fixed income.

I understand that BPA has been granted somewhat of a reprieve relative to forgiveness of obligations between BPA and Enron. And that's great. But I'm concerned that BPA may still think it needs to invoke its proposed increase of 25%. And I implore you, as administrator of BPA, not to do that. Please cut back on BPA's expenses before passing on any increase to the consumer. After all, those of us out here in the real world must live within our means and sometimes—most times—that means cutting back on our budgets. BPA should do the same.

We in the northwest have been suffering under a slowed economy and loss of jobs coupled with administrations in both Washington and Oregon that have no real clue or comprehension regarding the real world. Both states have high unemployment; businesses have closed. BPA should not add to the area's grief.

From what I understand, BPA is already over budget. Why? The power users should not be penalized for BPA's bad management. May I repeat: BPA must cut back on expenses instead of passing on increased operating or other costs to the consumer.. Those of us out here must cut back on our expenses to match our income. So should BPA. BPA needs to start cutting costs now and planning to defer expenses until the region begins to experience some kind of recovery. Please, help preserve the economic advantages of the northwest.

Sincerely,



JoAnn Berntsen
957 12th Avenue
Fox Island, WA 98333-9640

cc: Senators Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell and Representative Norm Dicks, and Penlight Ambassador Program

SN-03-W-1226

MAY 16 2003

May 13, 2003

Mr. Stephen Wright
Administrator
Bonneville Power Association
Box 3621
Portland, OR 97208-3621

Dear Mr. Wright:

The purpose of this letter is to ask your assistance in the event the Alcoa-Intalco Plant in Ferndale, WA does in fact close due to high power prices. Some important severance benefits due employees are at risk if Alcoa seeks to delay the timing of power rate increases into 2004.

If you'll allow, a brief explanation. Under the prior ownership of ALUMAX, salaried employees were eligible for severance payments based on years of service when their jobs were cut. Upon acquisition of the ALUMAX facilities, ALCOA kept the ALUMAX benefits in place until the end of 2003.

Should ALCOA delay the timing of power rate increases into 2004 and then close the smelter, ALCOA will have cheated the salaried employees out of their severance. While ALCOA has a severance package, we understand it is much less. ALCOA would unduly benefit at the expense of the employees were any delay granted in the timing of the power rate increases by not having to provide severance to employees who lost a job.

While nobody at the smelter wants to see it close, we are now worried about losing not only our jobs but severance money as well. All we ask is that should power rates rise to the point that the smelter is at risk **AND** ALCOA attempts to delay the timing of those rate increases into 2004, that a negotiated condition of that delay be the extension of the ALUMAX severance benefits to employees who lose a job.

Unfortunately, this request cannot be signed, as immediate firing for contacting you with this request would be the result if ALCOA got this letter.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

SALARIED EMPLOYEES
ALCOA-INTALCO
FERNDALE, WA

SN-03-W-1227

MAY 16 2003



PASCO SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

C.L. Booth Education Service Center • 1215 West Lewis • Pasco, WA 99301-5472
(509) 543-6700 • FAX (509) 546-2685

May 13, 2003

Mr. Steve Wright
c/o Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)
P. O. Box 3621
Portland, Oregon 97208-3621

Dear Mr. Wright:

For the past two years, the Pasco School District has asked all its employees to abide by an ambitious – albeit tough – effort to offset the skyrocketing energy costs of increased BPA rates.

And our employees have risen to the challenge.

They douse lights, cut air conditioning and heating at the end of the school day, shut down computers, and have relinquished personal refrigerators and coffee pots, among other things. They understand that money spent on energy costs is money that cannot be spent on classroom needs.

Pasco School District paid \$1.144 million in energy costs last year. **But, our employees helped the district record a whopping \$508,601 - or 30.8 percent - in “cost avoidance”,** according to our Energy Manager John Weatherby.

We are continuing these energy-saving habits and have managed \$331,919 in energy cost avoidance so far this school year!

But now we hear the Bonneville Power Administration is ready to increase our energy rates by **another** 15 percent. That’s a minimum of \$151,950 in increased utility costs for Pasco School District next year – another \$151,950 that cannot be spent on educational program needs. And, we can anticipate the increase will last until 2006.

This at a time when school districts are already wrestling with state warnings of impending cuts to education funding.

We cannot ask our employees to do more. Nor can we expect our community to pay for these increased costs. Nearly 75 percent – or 6,800 – of our children come from families that exist at poverty level. They cannot now afford the “luxury” of warm homes in the winter chill nor air-conditioned homes and workplaces in the summer heat.

The Pasco School District is doing all it can to control its energy costs through responsible efficiency and conservation. It is time for the Bonneville Power Administration to do the same.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra L. Hill".

Sandra L. Hill
Superintendent

MAY 16 2003

Rick Keller
717 W. Pole Rd.
Ferndale, WA
98248

Mr. Stephen J. Wright
Administrator
Bonneville Power Administration
PO Box 3621
Portland, Oregon 97208

Mr. Wright:

Tell me please "Where else in the business world can you get rewarded for mismanagement?" You have mismanaged the resource belonging to the residents of the State of Wash.

You need to resign or retire or just "Quit".

Rick Keller

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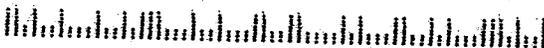
MAY 16 2003

Fred and Judy Payne
P.O. Box 1218
Oakridge, OR 97453-1218



MR. STEVE WRIGHT, BPA Admin.
P.O. Box 3621
Portland, OR 97208-3621

97208-3621



5-14-03

Dear Mr. Wright,

We understand & are aware of the challenge BPA faces financially however the proposed rate increase is of profound concern to those of us whose green incomes cannot tolerate such a surge.

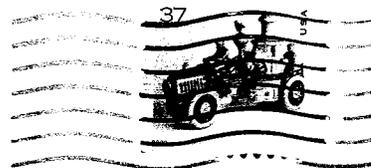
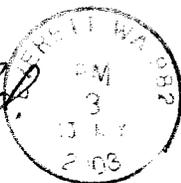
We strongly urge your consideration of other measures to cut/control administrative & overhead costs to avoid further economic erosion in the Northwest.

Sincerely,
Mr. & Mrs. Fred Payne

SN-03-W-1230

MAY 16 2003

Rick Keller
717 W. Pole Rd.
Ferndale, Wa
98248



Mr. Stephen J. Wright
Administrator
Bonneville Power Administration
PO Box 3621
Portland, Oregon 97208



Mr. Wright

Resign !!

SN-03-W-1231

MAY 16 2003

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Power-Rates
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2003 9:23 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: SN-03 Power Rate Case Question(s)

A rate case comment.

gabrielle, 503-230-4217

-----Original Message-----

From: Tksmith123@aol.com [mailto:Tksmith123@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2003 5:02 PM
To: power-rates@bpa.gov
Subject: SN-03 Power Rate Case Question(s)

Please help our Dad keep his job at Alcoa Intalco Aluminum!!! No Power Rate Increase!!! There must be another way!!! Please do not drive our Aluminum Plant from the Pacific Northwest by raising the power prices!!! We can't afford to loose so many good jobs!!! The closing of companies such as Alcoa Intalco Aluminum would has such a negative impact on the entire Pacific Northwest, especially Whatcom County!!! No Power Rate Increase!!!
(SR CRAC rate case)

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

MAY 16 2003

From: Power-Rates
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2003 9:23 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: SN-03 Power Rate Case Question(s)

A rate case comment.

gabrielle, 503-230-4217

-----Original Message-----

From: Tksmith123@aol.com [mailto:Tksmith123@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2003 4:54 PM
To: power-rates@bpa.gov
Subject: SN-03 Power Rate Case Question(s)

NO POWER RATE INCREASE!!! Please save the Pacific Northwest from loosing so many high paying jobs!!! We can't afford to loose any more!!!! NO POWER RATE INCREASE!!! Please do not drive companies such as Alcoa Intalco Aluminum from the Pacific Northwest!!! Whatcom County would be devastated!!!! We have families that need to send their children to college!!!
(and eat and have a roof over our heads) There has to be another way!!!
NO POWER RATE INCREASE!!! Do the right thing for your community!!!!

MAY 16 2003

Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Power-Rates
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2003 9:22 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: SN-03 Power Rate Case Question(s)

A rate case comment.

gabrielle, 503-230-4217

-----Original Message-----

From: Tksmith123@aol.com [mailto:Tksmith123@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2003 4:36 PM
To: power-rates@bpa.gov
Subject: SN-03 Power Rate Case Question(s)

Please help our Dad keep his job at Alcoa Intalco Aluminum!!! NO POWER RATE INCREASE!!! Washington State can not afford to loose any more jobs!!! It would be devastating to the Pacific Northwest, especially Whatcom County, to force companies like Alcoa Intalco Aluminum out of our state by raising the power prices at this time!!! There must be another way!!! **NO POWER RATE INCREASE!!! Please make the right decision so you can sleep at night!!! NO POWER RATE INCREASE!!! KEEP ALCOA INTALCO ALUMINUM UP AND RUNNING!!! We need the jobs!!!**

(SN CRAC rate case)

5/16/2003

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Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7

From: Power-Rates
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2003 9:24 AM
To: Kuehn, Ginny - DM-7
Subject: FW: SN-03 Power Rate Case Question(s)

A rate case comment.

gabrielle, 503-230-4217

-----Original Message-----

From: Sally M Gallegos [mailto:santos_gallegos@juno.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 30, 2003 2:43 PM
To: power-rates@bpa.gov
Subject: SN-03 Power Rate Case Question(s)

I am a mother of three, living in Maple Falls, WA. A community which is for the most part poverty stricken. I have written letter after letter, in an effort to plea not only my case, but the case for many other families in other areas of Whatcom County.

I am the spouse of an Alcoa Intalco Works, who found out about a week ago that my husband is more than likely to lose his job in the layoffs they have scheduled. I just found out yesterday that your company was released from having to come up with 500 Million dollars, money that you already had figured into rate increases for the northwest. I want to know if you are planning to stand up and make this work? Can you bring an offer to the table that will not only help my family, but the economy in the northwest? I don't think that you believe just how far reaching it will be for that plant to close. We have struggled below poverty level for more than half of our 11 years of marriage. At least when we didn't have anything before my children and husband where healthy. Now my husband, my twins and myself all have hypothyroid. We also recently found out that my husband has diabetes. We depend more on our insurance coverage through aloha than we actually do the income. I don't know how we are gonad make it. I already here many stories of families planning to leave the northwest, if their jobs are loss so you will not only lose a large corporate rate payer but lot of residential rate payers. Not to mention all of the people that will unfairly have their rates increased due to those losses. We need this job, how badly do you need yours? You try thinking about that when you go to sleep at night.... when you cant sleep read this again...

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From: The Brickey's [brick@cascadenetworks.net]
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2003 10:48 AM
To: comment@bpa.gov
Subject: Northwest Power Rates

Sirs,

I feel your proposed power rate increase due this fall is too large. As a former employee of Longview Aluminum I have first hand knowledge of the damage done to the aluminum industry by your high power rates. I believe the aluminum industry in the states of Oregon and Washington contributed much to the economies of these states in the way of jobs and commerce. Through your power increases you have driven this industry to extinction in the Northwest. If we lose our base in the industry to foreign competitors we will never get it back and many good paying jobs are lost. Is BPA proud of the fact that they have contributed to the loss of a very important industrial base in this area?

Thank you,

Bonnie Brickey
Longview, Washington

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