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Dear Chairman:

I am in receipt of Order #30647 case AVU-E-08-01 and would like to express my gratitude for receipt of same. However, kindly note my profound dissatisfaction with the board's final decision.

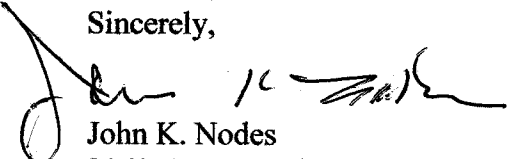
All one has to do is turn on the TV, pick up a newspaper, or go to the Internet to observe the dismal state of our nation's economy. What with bank closures, mortgage foreclosures, retirement funds collapsing, unemployment, how is it Avista is granted a rate increase? Despite all of our nation's calamities, Avista sits with a profit of 72% for the first half of this year, and they have rewarded shareholders with a 9% increase. It's common knowledge that natural gas prices have plummeted nationwide, and Avista has generated so much electricity this spring that it remains unsold. How does the commission justify any rate increase at all?

To the best of my knowledge, Avista has never been denied an increase at any time. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we all had the foresight and expertise to make a pitch for a salary increase and almost be insured that it would be granted.

My proposal would be to issue every Avista customer an optional stock purchase plan whereby it would reflect stockholders' participation in Avista shares since I'm sure we'll never see a rate reduction in the future.

Due to implementing every energy-saving stipulation mandated, all to no avail, what's next? Apply for public assistance? It seems to be Avista's policy is to shoot for the moon and know that they can enjoy all they ask for and then some, even if the commission only grants half their requests. Sounds like a Wall Street Ponzi scheme to me.

Sincerely,


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AVU E-08-01

Dear Secretary

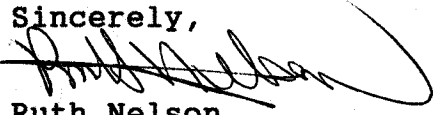
Your report of September 30, 2008 was gratefully received. I have read it twice and underscored items of importance to me and reviewed all of the particulars and details of the tables that were included.

It is still evident that the 'low man on the totem pole', namely the residential users and those most hurt by the current economic crises are the ones with the highest percentage rate of increases throughout. This is most inequitable, causing those of us who will find it hard to just keep the heat on and food on the table, cringe to hear that the executives, already with fat paychecks, will get a raise! I will still protest this inhumane treatment of ~~residential~~ residential users.

Page 2 of the Initial Application, paragraph 4, last line states that Avista expects a 'fair return' on its investment. Page 4 indicates that the return is based on a projected settlement if the terms were litigated, in which case, your cost of litigation are saved. We who are on a low fixed income have no power if such litigations should occur.

In my own case, I had energy saving windows and doors installed three years ago but was denied a 'credit' because of a time line issue, of only a month. Earlier this year, I had the roof replaced and insulation brought to maximum, again was told it was not a 'new' thing, yet the family room roof had no wood beneath the metal and that was added in a room where a wall furnace is the only heat source. My energy saving appliances were installed in 2002 in a kitchen update, too late to take advantage of a credit, according to a phone inquiry. While it is helpful for my comfort to have done these things, the advertised credits were of no use because I did not pre-apply, not knowing of the credit until after the fact..

I do appreciate that my comments in previous letters were evidently read at the hearings per page 10. I hope that they will be remembered in next years application for yet another rate increase! Please continue to send notices of these events in the bills and by mail if you will.

Sincerely,

Ruth Nelson

October 10, 2008

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Jean Jewell

From: steviepeek@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, October 09, 2008 4:21 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell
Subject: PUC Comment Form

A Comment from James T. Peek follows:

Case Number: AVU-E-08-01
Name: James T. Peek
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City: Hayden
State: Idaho
Zip: 83835
Daytime Telephone: 208-772-6949
Contact E-Mail: steviepeek@aol.com
Name of Utility Company: Avista
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your comment briefly:

Dear Sir's,
Please reconsider your % increase for Avista Utilities. With the economy what it is at this present time, and price increases across the board, now is not the time for additional expenses. As a senior on a fixed income all dollars saved are important.
Thank you

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>
IP address is 64.12.117.135
