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Jean Jewell

From: eriedelbach@msn.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 06, 2007 2:57 AM
To: Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell
Subject: PUC Comment/Inquiry Form

A Comment from ernie riedelbach follows:

Case Number: rate increase proposal
Name: ernie riedelbach
Address: 12 mill race road
City: rexburg
State: idaho
Zip: 83440
Home Telephone: 208-356-7204
Contact E-Mail: eriedelbach@msn.com
Name of Utility Company: rocky mountain power
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your question or comment briefly:

I am strongly oposed to Rocky Mountain's request to raise rates. Their current rates are quite high. In Sept of '06 my home usage was 505 kwh and cost \$42.32. Sept of '07 it was 487 kwh, but my cost was \$50.72, a 19% increase even tho KWH was less. There is also a 93-cent charge of 'customer efficiency services' which gives me NOTHING! Their rates are plenty high and I am on fixed income. Instead of raising rates the PUC should be pushing hard to get nuclear power generation in Idaho - the INL has plenty of expertise in nuclear...please USE IT!

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>
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Idaho Public Utilities Commission
P. O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Re: Rocky Mountain Power Rate Increase

Gentlemen:

The front page story in the Post Register, October 29, 2007, was regarding Rocky Mountain Power asking the Idaho Public Utilities Commission for a rate raise, suggesting inflation and demand as reasons for said raise.

I am a resident of Idaho and am not opposed to the increase. I am, however, disturbed that they have not kept their commitment to their retired employees.

I retired in 1990. In 1991 at a retiree meeting we were informed that every ten years a review of retirement income would be made. It was explained that our income would be adjusted accordingly. I have been retired for more than 17 years and no adjustment has been made.

A letter was sent to retirees stating that an adjustment would be made. This letter was rescinded a few days later stating that no adjustment would be forthcoming.

After writing to Mr. Lasich, Mr. Walje and Mr. Reiten of Rocky Mountain Power regarding this matter, I received a response from Mr. Erich D. Wilson, Director, Human Resources. See attached letter dated October 12, 2007.

I agree that the cost of living has gone up. In the years since retirement it has increased by 200%. I am asking that before any increase in rates is given that the company be required to honor its commitment to review and adjust retiree income.

Sincerely,



Ray C. Pabst
4937 Vintage Lane
Idaho Falls, ID 83406

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Enclosure



October 12, 2007

Mr. Ray C. Pabst
4937 Vintage Lane
Idaho Falls, ID 83406

Dear Mr. Pabst,

I am in receipt of the recent letter you sent to Mr. Lasich, Mr. Walje and Mr. Reiten regarding contributions to community giving and retirement income levels.

On behalf of our three presidents, I want to thank you for your letter and convey our appreciation for your continued support of The United Way. We strongly support our employees, retirees, communities and the activities that impact each of them.

As it pertains to your concerns around retirement amounts, throughout the years the company has reviewed the issue of a cost of living increases for retirees. However, pension costs continue to be one of the highest costs of doing business. Adding an increase at this time to a significant number of retirees would create a much larger challenge, from both a financial and regulatory perspective, that we don't believe is in the best interest of our business and the customers we serve.

You were fortunate to have retired in 1990 with an enhanced retirement benefit due to the early retirement program that was in effect at that time. In addition, while you have not received an increase to your monthly pension benefits, with the timing of your decision to retire, you have maintained your medical benefits at a relatively low monthly cost.

Ray, we assume that this is not necessarily the response you were seeking, but we wanted to directly share with you our position and challenges as we value you and your ongoing support of the company and community activities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. D. Wilson".

Erich D. Wilson
Director, Human Resources

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November 1, 2007

Subject: Power rate increase

To: Idaho Utilities Commission

Mark III Plant Construction Ltd. has a labor contract with the Monsanto Company at the Soda Springs, ID facility and has had for the past thirty-three years. Mark III employees average of sixty full time people and often times near one hundred from the immediate area. Any increase in utility rates having an adverse effect to Monsanto also has a negative impact on Mark III and the employees there of. Mark III would not be able to operate in this area without Monsanto's business.

Regards,



Farrell Beins
Area Manager
Mark III Plant Construction Ltd.

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