

Jean Jewell

From: Marilyn Prestwich [maringrant@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, December 17, 2011 10:53 PM
To: Gene Fadness; Jean Jewell
Subject: Rocky Mountain Power Rate hikes

PAC-E-11-12

To whom it may concern: While I understand that energy costs money and Rocky Mountain Power needs to stay solvent in order to keep providing the power needs for Idaho, I do not feel it is the responsibility of the consumers to pay for bad investment decisions made by Rocky Mountain Power and others. Wind power is exciting, innovative and popular with the green crowd, but apparently not cost effective. This is NOT the responsibility of the consumer. Rocky Mountain Power holds great power over it's customers, since there is simply not another resource to obtain power. Please send them a clear message that enough is enough, **deny them their request for yet another rate increase**. They need to look inwardly to streamline their operations and those who made the bad investment in the wind power will have to take their lumps along with the rest of us who have made bad investments from time to time. Thank you, Marilyn and Roger Prestwich, Rigby, Idaho

P.S. I wonder if those who thought wind power would be so environmentally friendly have ever taken a look over the eastern horizon of Idaho Falls at night and noticed how all the blinking red lights improve the environment around the city.

Jean Jewell

From: Jon Johnston [jon.johnston@vandals.uidaho.edu]
Sent: Friday, December 16, 2011 8:31 PM
To: Gene Fadness; Jean Jewell; Randy Lobb; Beverly Barker
Subject: Rocky Mountain Power Rate Hike

PAC-E-11-12

Dear IPUC,

My current power rates are already high enough (among the highest in the state and particularly in our area). In an economic depression it makes no sense for the IPUC to approve any rate increase for Rocky Mountain Power and further guarantee them an additional increase next year. RMP will already receive a rate increase based on the federal ECAM in April, we don't need to approve any others. With the price of coal and natural gas at an all-time low, we don't see any reason for RMP's rates to be at an all-time high. Please disapprove the current RMP rate increase proposal. It's not like we have a choice on who supplies our power, they already have us over a barrel.

Sincerely,
Jon Johnston
3241 East County Line Road
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401

Jean Jewell

From: dsigeorge@hotmail.com
Sent: Sunday, December 18, 2011 11:40 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness
Subject: PUC Comment Form

A Comment from George W. Katsilometes follows:

Case Number: PAC-E-11-12
Name: George W. Katsilometes
Address: 94 E. Portneuf Ave.
City: Lava Hot Springs
State: Idaho
Zip: 83246
Daytime Telephone: 208-390-3195
Contact E-Mail: dsigeorge@hotmail.com
Name of Utility Company: Rocky Mountain Power
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

I am against the permission of any increase in rates for the customers of Rocky Mountain Power. Our business, the Lava Hot Springs Inn, can not support any further rise in power costs as these have doubled in the last few years while our business has remained stagnant. I am sick and tired of these increased rates accompanied by poor reliability leading to a serious crisis in business overhead. It's time for the PUC to learn the word 'NO' when it comes to these frequent greedy requests for rate increases.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>
IP address is 174.27.54.154

Jean Jewell

From: richard@the-lundbergs.org
Sent: Sunday, December 18, 2011 8:35 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness
Subject: PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Richard Lundberg follows:

Case Number: PAC-E-11-12
Name: Richard Lundberg
Address: 914 Clara Ct
City: Ammon
State: ID
Zip: 83406
Daytime Telephone: 208 524 7021
Contact E-Mail: richard@the-lundbergs.org Name of Utility Company: Rocky Mountain Power
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

Is this requested increase due to wind power being forced on the utility? If so , this is public policy gone mad. Natural gas prices have declined sharply and much of RMP cost is driven by natural gas. They should be asking for a rate decrease. Their last increase should be rolled back at the very least.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>
IP address is 174.126.56.28

Jean Jewell

From: amyshawnhansen@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, December 18, 2011 3:18 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness
Subject: PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Shawn & Amy Hansen follows:

Case Number: #PAC-E-11-12
Name: Shawn & Amy Hansen
Address:
City: Arimo
State: Idaho
Zip:
Daytime Telephone:
Contact E-Mail: amyshawnhansen@aol.com
Name of Utility Company: Rocky Mountain Power
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

If our power rates are raised as much as they are proposing we and several other families in our area will not be able to afford our houses. With the current state of the economy most families are living paycheck to paycheck and it is unfair to ask us to pay for power that we are not even going to see the benefits from.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>
IP address is 65.39.96.74

Jean Jewell

From: smithfam88@plmw.com
Sent: Friday, December 16, 2011 11:42 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness
Subject: PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Steven Smith follows:

Case Number: Pac E 11 12
Name: Steven Smith
Address: 2674 E Hwy 36
City: Preston
State: Idaho
Zip: 83263
Daytime Telephone: 208-339-0855
Contact E-Mail: smithfam88@plmw.com
Name of Utility Company: Rocky Mtn Power
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

I am writing in response to the rate increase. It is my opinion that in the poor economy that a rate increase would put an undue hardship on many of the Rocky Mtn powers customers that are working 2 jobs at minimum wage to make ends meet. This could make many families have to decide if they want electricity and heat or have the food they need to feed their families.

At times when money gets tight, we need to tighten our belt to keep the budget in the black. I think that Rocky Mtn Power needs to do the same thing and not just keep passing there poor money management and poor investments on to the customers. I don't think it is right that if they run short of money, they just raise the rates of power.

Since we as customers only have one option for power in our area, it is paramount that you, as the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, are able to stand up for us and make Rocky Mtn Power prove that rate increases are justified and are their only option.

I am strongly against any rate increases in utilities at this time.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>
IP address is 69.170.115.23
