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From: Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2021 11:35 AM
To: 'Steve Kline'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Teco Proposed rate increase

Good Morning, Mr. & Mrs. Kline.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20210034, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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From: Steve Kline <sjkline@verizon.net>
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Subject: Teco Proposed rate increase

I am writing about the Teco proposed rate increase. 20210034-EI

By their own "Rate Case Overview", the proposal is a 19.2% increase. It does get to be a smaller increase as one uses more energy, but the lower rate increase penalizes smaller (read poorer) customers who can afford it less.

My question is why could they not do increases at a smaller rate over year to year. Why so much at one time?

Also, their proposal was summarized in a page that has incorrect information. It shows my current rate as 5.225 cents per KWH, when I am being charged 5.662 cents per KWH. When I called them on that, they said there were other charges included in my rate on the invoice. Not being so truthful here are they.

Anyway the cost per energy is proposed to increase 26% from 5.225 cents to 6.600 cents per KWH. Not a small increase.

I suggest that this proposal be denied and replaced with something more palatable to us citizens.

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