From: Michelle G [mailto:twoponyfarm@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 7:56 AM

To: PUC

Subject: Liberty Utilities Rate Increase

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in regards to the approval of a rate increase request by Liberty Utilities. I would like an explanation as to why you feel that the rate increase was warranted. The only information reported by our local newspaper, Valley News was that "[t]he utility...sought a rate increase[s] because of concerns that natural gas prices are spiking this winter." To my understanding, this explains that the rates have not spiked, nor do we know how much the spike would be. The 50% rate increase requested by Liberty Utilities is therefore based on speculation. I am looking forward to your response so that I can understand this perplexing situation. Thank you in advance for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Michelle Guiliano 603.643.3113