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To: PUC:

Subject: Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. rate increase

Hello.

I received a notice in the mail indicating that PEU has requested a temporary increase of 16.06% and a permanent increase of 21.24%. This is way beyond affordability of the average household. Employment pay increases do not match these requested rates, forcing households to allocate a higher percentage of their income towards these rate increases. This could create a hardship on some families that are just getting by. Also, this would hurt many senior citizens that collect social security as their only source of income. I really can't understand such a high percentage increase request by PEU. In my opinion, mismanagement at PEU is the cause for the rate requests. Why should the citizens of NH be forced to pay for their poor handling of the utility?

I ask that you deny these outrageous rate increase requests by PEU. Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely, Earle Guyett (retired) 14 Holton Circle Londonderry, NH 03053