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PUC Commission
NH

Dear Commission,

I urge the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission to reject the Eversource rate proposals (DE 19-057).

I received (from Eversource) an informational insert with my May 2019 electric bill. It included excerpts from docket DE 19-057, proposed rate increases. It states that Eversource requests Residential rate "R" increases of 2.9% then and another increase of 4.3% for this summer (2020). These proposed increases were already outrageous but now they are requesting larger increases still???

Our electric rates here in New Hampshire are already way higher than they should be. These rate increases must not be allowed to continue.

In addition, increasing the basic customer charge unfairly adds to the burden on many older Eversource customers, who generally use less electricity. Eversource New Hampshire customers already pay a much higher monthly customer charge than their customers in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Finally, the proposed nearly automatic surcharges remove incentives for the utility to become more efficient and sidestep the regulatory process for setting rates. Allowing this would set a dangerous precedent.

Electricity is not a luxury and its cost is becoming more and more burdensome for people, particularly those of us retirees, most of whom are on fixed incomes.

Please reject the unfair Eversource residential rate hike proposals.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

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