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I'm amazed how the original locked in rate of \$.9256 for natural gas was rescinded and increased to \$1.1539 per british thermal unit "Due to the volatility of the energy market". This is a 19.8% increase in the price per therm. Isn't the purpose of locking in the price preseason supposed to protect consumers from dramatic price increases?

Market volatility shouldn't be the consumers burden. Especially when the supplier already proposed a lock in rate for the 2021/2022 season! If the locked in rate goes down the consumer cannot rescind on the signed document and pay the lower rate. So then why can the locked in rate be rescinded when it gets higher??

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