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Gentlemen:

Public Notice of Hearing on the Application
for rate Increase (9.8 percent) and Approval of Purchased
Power Contract by
Arizona Public Service Company
Docket Number E-01345A-03-0437

I am very concerned about the rate increase of 9.8 percent by the Arizona Public Service Company because I am now paying between \$200.00 to \$400.00 per month for my electric as it is.

I feel very strongly that Arizona Public Service Company does not require that much of a rate increase because if I am paying those amounts now, what will my electric be for next summer? I am on a fixed income and cannot afford a much higher electric bill than I have been receiving for this summer. I cannot be without air conditioning as I have trouble breathing in the hot weather. If I have to shut my air conditioner off, I may not be able to survive the high temperatures next summer. I am also a widow trying to make ends meet now as it is. There are also many people that have respiratory problems. The air conditioning helps keep them breathing. They, as well as myself, use the air conditioning to keep from breathing hard. For the people's sake, please do not let Arizona Public Service Company raise the rates that high (9.8 percent).

Furthermore, with so many people in Arizona, and coming to live in Arizona, using their electric and their air conditioners, how is it possible that Arizona Public Service Company needs so much more money. If I am paying between \$200.00 to \$400.00 per month on an average and everyone else is paying approximately the same, is it not fair to assume that Arizona Public Service is receiving enough funds to both have a good profit and also update machinery, etc?

Does Arizona Public Service Company want this rate increase to be able to purchase Pinnacle West Energy Corporation? If so, does the public have to have this come out of their pockets? Doesn't Arizona Public Service have money enough to purchase this entity without raising rates? I wonder.

Will you please take into consideration all of the people living in Arizona that are not wealthy or are on a low income when deciding about the rate increase of the electric company? I am sure many of the residents and elderly people that reside here in Arizona have a fixed income and cannot afford to pay a higher electric bill.

I hope you will consider this rate increase very carefully.

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Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Toby L. Dryden