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Dear Commissioners,

As you are well aware, the public is completely dismayed by the incredible rate increases in our natural gas bills. A Unisource spokesman stated that the new rate only reflects a 21% increase on average (Prescott Courier, Jan.24). Personally, my bill has increased well over 50% (deducting the new surcharge and the extra 9 therms I used this year over last). Did the Commission truly approve the new rate at .7004 - up from .4414 per therm? I know gas rates are rising and perhaps this is a "very complicated situation", but consumers need a real explanation as to why their pocketbooks are being drained in such a sudden and drastic manner. We don't have any choice as to our energy service provider up here in Prescott, and we rely on you to safeguard our interests. Thank you for your consideration. Beth Meyer

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