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For Assignment **Contact Name:**

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From: GARY HICKMAN Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2009 1:18 PM To: Utilities Div - Mailbox Subject: APS rate increase

I just received notice in my APS bill that they are implementing another rate increase effective July 1, 2009. This utility is out of control and displays nothing but poor management and planning.

With the economy in its current state there is no reason for a rate increase to be granted. If APS management can not control cost and adjust to the current situation it may be time to apply some pressure.

The consumer has little or no choice as to where they get their electric power so it is on the Commissions back to keep APS in the real world.

Therefore I strongly suggest that the Commission deny this rate increase.

Gary Hickman *End of Complaint*

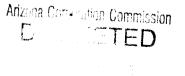
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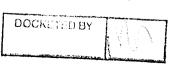
Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

6/16/09 Emailed the following response to Mr. Hickman

Good morning Mr. Hickman,

Your email regarding the Arizona Public Service Company ("APS") rate case will be placed on file with the







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ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM

Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") to be made part of the record. The Commission will consider your comments before a decision is rendered in the APS application.

The concerns raised in letters received from customers will assist the Commission in the investigation and review of the rate application. The Commission's independent analysis of the utility and its rate request attempts to balance the interest of the utility and its customers.

Commission Staff is very sensitive to the burden that high utility rates can place on the consumer, and though constitutionally required to allow a fair return to the utility, does everything within its authority to protect the consumer.

Staff appreciates your comments and the interest taken on the proposed rate increase.

Sincerely,

Alfonso Amezcua Arizona Corporation Commission Public Utilities Consumer Analyst II Utilities Division

End of Comments

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