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From: Bonnie Walker [sunwanderer@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, December 19, 2009 9:03 PM
To: Pierce-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web
Subject: APS Rate Hike

Dear Commissioners:

First, I would like to express my appreciation to Commissioner Pierce for voting NO on the recent APS rate increase. I don't know if he was one of the infamous or famous (depending on how you look at it) three names that advertised prior to the election about how they were going to do great things in the commissioners office if elected. Two of you were part of that three person "to get it done, you have to elect all three of us" group and you failed miserably to uphold your end of the electoral banner.

I wanted to let you know (though I'm sure you already do know since you had to okay this) but Southwest Gas sent their bill out to customers this month with this short note included.

"On November 20, 2009, Southwest Gas Corporation received approval from the Arizona Corporation Commission to implement a **temporary credit** (highlighting mine), of 8 cents per therm for Southwest ARIZONA (caps mine as well) customers.will result in a reduction in customers' monthly bills. With the credit, customer bills would be reduced by an estimated \$3.10 for an average winter bill and \$0.82 for an average summer bill.

Southwest (again, my highlighting for emphasis) **does not make a profit on the cost of natural gas, but can recover its purchasing costs dollar for dollar...."**

This is a good example for you two (Kennedy and Newman) to think on the next time you sit down at the table with APS. The people of Arizona elected you because you said you would stop this constant APS running to the commission for rate hikes. The people of Arizona who elected you will be watching to see if you were making an election pitch or actually going to do what you said. Elections come around quickly.

Sincerely,
Bonnie L. Walker

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