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**From:**  
**Sent:**  
**To:** Kennedy-Web  
**Subject:** Decoupling & APS Rate hike

Ms. Kennedy,

Please do not allow APS to raise our rates claiming they need the increase to fund Solar and Wind power generation.

The commission gave APS a perfect excuse to raise our rates when they mandated a 15% alternative power requirement trying to be "politically correct" and playing to the environmentalists. The fact is that natural gas is abundant and clean, and will be available for years to come. Solar and Wind will never be able to replace the energy that coal, natural gas or Nuclear power can generate. Let's remove this "requirement" for alternate power and make it "optional" based on the cost basis as compared to natural gas. This idea of "decoupling" is another great idea for APS, so that they can generate revenue whether or not the customer uses the electric power. No more need for them to raise rates, just charge the consumer, even if they cut their usage. I would hope the commission would have better sense then to implement another regulation that would give APS and SW Gas revenue for not providing a service !

Regards,

Terrence Arnold  
Glendale, AZ

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 02, 2011 9:27 AM  
**To:** Kennedy-Web  
**Subject:** APS rate hike

I implore you to reject the request from APS for their proposed 7% rate hike. How can they expect customers to pay an additional 7% when most of APS users are not receiving any cost of living income increases? This is a very shameful request by a corporation that has control over most of Arizona's electricity users. I would like to see additional options for electricity providers to come into Arizona. This happened in Texas around 2004 and the "fat cat" companies like CPL (Central Power & Light) were forced to compete with smaller companies offering much lower and affordable rates to the public.

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**From:** Howard Smith [mailto:hsmith@aps.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 03, 2011 12:55 PM  
**To:** Kennedy-Web  
**Subject:** APS rate hike

Dear Ms. Kennedy:

I recently read in the Daily Courier that APS wants to raise our electricity rate nearly 7 percent, and I would like to vehemently oppose such a raise in our rate!

This is not the time for APS to make expensive system improvements to incorporate more smart technology. They have raised their base rates **FOUR TIMES** since 2006! **IT IS THE TIME TO TIGHTEN THEIR BELTS!!!**

Like many in Arizona, we are retired and on a fixed income. We received no raise in our Social Security this year, nor do we expect one next year. When we finally do receive a raise, we expect that it will be nowhere near 7%.

We can and must tighten our belts for our discretionary spending, but we cannot afford to support continued increases in necessary public services such as electricity and natural gas.

**PLEASE VOTE NO ON THE APS REQUEST FOR ANOTHER RATE HIKE.**

Thank you for your time.

Karen Smith  
Prescott, AZ