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ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

August 25, 2011

To: Docket Control

RE: Southwest Gas Corporation – Customer Comments
Docket No. G-01551A-10-0458

Please docket the attached 1,222 customer comments OPPOSING the above filed rate case, which were faxed to each Commissioner.

Customer comments may be reviewed in E-docket under the above docket number.

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Aug 15, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase of more than \$65 a year for the average single family residence.

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates more than \$65 a year.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Tony Tapia

[REDACTED]
Gold Canyon, AZ 85118-5965

Aug 19, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase of more than \$65 a year for the average single family residence.

I'm retired with a pension that deteriorates in value every year. My Social Security COLA has been frozen for a couple of years and I expect more bad news to come. I live uncomfortably 24/7 in the blast of fans to keep my electricity bills from becoming astronomical. Between the criminal element in the financial industry and the criminally negligent in Washington my 401k is losing money hand over fist. I go nowhere and do nothing, my goal is to not spend any money because it's disappearing fast. But I'm not the Lone Ranger, most people I know are in the same boat and some even worse. Gas and grocery prices keep rising, Government entities keep trying to get more to compensate for their incompetent management and misuse of public funds. And now it seems all the utilities are lining up at the trough to try and squeeze more out of the people. One doesn't have to be very astute to come to the conclusion I'm very angry. And every incumbent will get that message in upcoming elections.

Is anyone in Southwest gas getting raises? Or bonuses? Do they want a certain rate of return on their investment? Well I'm getting nothing and my rate of return is negative. I think it's time they got with the program and realize times are hard and like the people whose pockets they're trying to get into they have to adjust. This isn't Burger King and they aren't going to get it their way. As elected Commissioners I respectfully ask that you vote no on the proposed rate increase and grant them no increase at all. Thank you very much for your attention.

Sincerely,

Ronald Fryer
10739 W. Roundelay Circle
Sun City, AZ 85351

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates more than \$65 a year.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Fryer
[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85351-1503

Aug 18, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gloria Washburn
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85710-5621
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. rc schnupp
[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85029-2504
[REDACTED]

Aug 16, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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In case you haven't figured it out yet, no one has money to pay for much of anything, let alone increases in utilities during a time of economic depression--catastrophy.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates more than \$65 a year.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Randie Vietti

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85718-6513
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ruth Hamblin

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] 85200 436

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Maria Rodriguez

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85704-6128

[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Carrol

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85730-2231

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

Dear Sir and Madams:

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years, and it's tough enough making it without MORE rising costs!

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you,
David Acker,
158 N Wilbur St
Mesa, AZ 85201

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. David Acker
[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85201-6736
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

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I am also on 100% disability for my MS and the main support for my husband and myself

thanks,
Anastacia & Stephen Lagneaux

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Anastacia Lagneaux

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85296-8614
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Linda Meade-Tollin

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85704-1269

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I don't know about anyone else, but my usage has NOT increased. It surprises and amazes me how people that are elected into a position to regulate these utilities, the first thing they want to do is raise the cost.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND, WE CAN NOT AFFORD ANOTHER INCREASE!!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sandra Dishion
[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85259-5844
[REDACTED]

Aug 11, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Marcus Hoover


Golden Valley, AZ 86413-7792

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. George Cantua

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85735-8619
[REDACTED]

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This would be a real hardship for me!!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Laura Loebe

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85710-7950

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Rachel Thalrose

[REDACTED]
Kingman, AZ 86401-7317
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Douglas Martin

Surprise, AZ 85379-6105

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Curt Cavett

[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85338-2825
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. William Kral

Chandler, AZ 85225-5202

Aug 11, 2011

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Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

I am on Social Security disability, so I haven't had a COLA increase in 2 years and am not getting one this year, yet the actual cost of living for food, gasoline, and especially my health insurance has continued to rise the whole time. I actually have less money each month in my checks thanks to my health insurance increases, and that doesn't include the increase in my co-pays, deductibles and other medical expenses my insurer has stopped paying. I have managed to hang on to my house so far, as many of my neighbors lose theirs, but I am upside down on my mortgage, even though it is a very small amount, so I can't afford to sell. The very last thing I need right now is for my gas company to raise my rate by a huge amount - I don't know where I would get that money. My water company and my electric company are also going after raises in their rates because the large number of empty houses in the area is effecting their profits. I can't afford to pay more to make up for empty homes just because I have been able to hang on to my house so far. If everyone gets their increases approved I will be forced to walk away from my house, ruining my excellent credit rating and putting yet another home on the foreclosure market. This is just not the time to be raising rates while most Americans are barely hanging on.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Judith Jansson

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Topock, AZ 86436-1270
[REDACTED]

Aug 11, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Maria Baker

[REDACTED]
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-1452
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. LAWRENCE RASTOEFER

[REDACTED]
Oro Valley, AZ 85755-8798
[REDACTED]

Aug 12, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. b.d. Gordon


Scottsdale, AZ 85253-4411

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I am a 64 year old woman caring for my disabled brother and a husband with advanced stage lyme disease diagnosed in 2006. We are living on my SSI and a small pension \$194.46. I have been on food stamps and AHCCCS for the past year since injuring my neck last August. I have had 11 cervical injections for severe pain since Dec 2010. I simply cannot afford another utility increase. Please consider those of us who have worked all our lives and are caring for loved ones unable to work.

Sincerely, Susan McArthur

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates more than \$65 a year.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Susan McArthur

[REDACTED]
Sedona, AZ 86351-7633
[REDACTED]

Aug 13, 2011

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Linda Roup-Hudson

[REDACTED]
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-5257
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. leland lavoie

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85020-4501
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sharla Evers


Payson, AZ 85541

Aug 13, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alfred Petrich

[REDACTED]
Skull Valley, AZ 86338-0137
[REDACTED]

Aug 13, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Wilson

[REDACTED]
Tolleson, AZ 85353-8812

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Hundreds of Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

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Most Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Natural Gas demand and prices are DOWN.

JUST because their profit taking is down due to our conservation efforts DON'T JUST RAISE PRICES!

My wages haven't gone up in ten years!

INFLATION IS FLAT

THIS IS THE GAS COMPANIES USUAL MODUS OPERANDI DON'T GIVE THEM ANOTHER CENT!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates more than \$65 a year.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael McDonald


Flagstaff, AZ 86004-3848

Aug 14, 2011

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My wife and I are on a fixed income and haven't gotten any increases!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates more than \$65 a year.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Mueller

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85257-1841

Aug 14, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase of more than \$65 a year for the average single family residence.

Do you people have a conscience? Contrary to what Mitt Romney says, most of us do not swallow the crap that "corporations are people too". While energy companies are raking in huge profits... Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Why don't your start taking a look at what's happening outside your corporate cocoons and JUST MAYBE you could start getting a little spark of compassion. But I'm certainly not holding my breath.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates more than \$65 a year.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Doug Gervais


Marana, AZ 85658-4644

Aug 15, 2011

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. steve veresvary

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85029-2223
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

We believe that raising the utility rate at this time of severe economic problems will cause undue hardship for many of us.

Please reject the proposal by the Southwest Gas for a rate increase. The Southwest Gas can trim back their costs and overhead including the salaries and wages like the rest of us.

Thank you,

Mort Mazaheri
Casa Grande, AZ

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mort Mazaheri

[REDACTED]
Casa Grande, AZ 85194-3833
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. gerald fleming


Glendale, AZ 85310-3235

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Steven Byrne

Mesa, AZ 85207-2077

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Suellen Brahs

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85013-3709
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jeffery Ray

[REDACTED]
Sacaton, AZ 85147-0038
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sally Johnson

[REDACTED]
Avondale, AZ 85323-8468
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. That is why of all times, I find it ridiculous that Southwest Gas is even considering an increase. Why should they be allowed to raise their rates when the average american citizen that is lucky to be employed, hasn't seen a wage increase since the start of this recession. This is nothing but victimization on the part of the gas companies! They should be thinking of ways to cut their costs effectively, instead of constantly passing it on to the overlyburdened consumer!

This is an outrage and should not be tolerated!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Deb Smelser

[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85202-7514

[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Considering the austerity programs forced upon us by our government, many residents of Arizona will find it very difficult to meet the increased gas rates you are proposing.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marcia Finder


Chandler, AZ 85249-4482

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I've had no raise in 2yrs and my hours are cut back. I'm holding my nut
sac during the ride. Grab yours too and live off what you have!!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas
request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Nr Martin


Tucson, AZ 85743-7472

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Some of us can't refiance,or sell and we are barely able to stay in our homes.

I should have retired years ago,but my wife and I countiue to work or we loose it all.

I haven't had a raise in five years and don't anticipate one anytime soon.

why should any utility deserve a raise

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Trussel


Phoenix, AZ 85048-7310

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. YOLANDA KOHL

[REDACTED]
Surprise, AZ 85379-5124
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. DENISE CAMERON

[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85351-3222

[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

My wife and I are nearing age 80 and our income is totally flat. There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years, and our teacher-retirement pensions have not had a COLA in eight years.

Please deny the 14 % increase requested by Southwest Gas, and please don't approve the provision that would guarantee no loss of revenue for the gas company when we turn down our thermostats and don our coats to keep warm in the winter.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. max frye


Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-5772

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work, there have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years and the cost of food and gasoline are way up.

So many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Tanya Phillips


Phoenix, AZ 85051-7415

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.
Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I am already paying Southwest Gas over \$12.00 a month for no usage at all. They charge me every month even though I do not use any gas approximately 9 months a year due to the high temperatures in Arizona. Now they want to raise the rates more. I do not think so. It has to come to a stop somewhere. The senior citizens income is getting smaller all the time and the companies profit gets larger all the time.

If you have any conscience at all, you will vote NO to any increase at all in this recession that WE are all in right now.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas McGuinness
[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85351-2240

Aug 11, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

Please take into consideration the thousands of Arizonans that are out of work and are barely making enough for feeding their families. There are many seniors and disabled individuals on fixed incomes, and there have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

It is these individuals that are keeping the big corporations and companies functioning, because despite limited incomes, they do their best to pay for the necessities of fuel for keeping the appliances functioning.

Please do not raise our Southwest gas rates!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Belinda J Acosta
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85746-9638

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Yvonne Volpe

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85742-8413
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

With thousands of Arizonans out of work, static social security benefits, increased expenses of fuel and food, an increase in gas will hit the the most vulnerable the hardest.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Judith Henderson

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85718-6164
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Brenda Burns

[REDACTED]
Glendale, AZ 85301-6733
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

I have been underemployed for the past 2 years. Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

We live in an old house and during the winter, our gas bill is already sky high. We pay much more in gas than our friends in both California and on the East Coast.

Even though most of the year, we don't use much natural gas, we pay a "minimum" charge for gas that we don't use. We also totally oppose Southwest Gas "decoupling" so that even if we use less gas they can still profit.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. JoAnne Knoebel
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85701-2313
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. E. Michael Livingston

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85715-3334

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

No to rate increase.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Nicholson

[REDACTED]
Yuma, AZ 85365-8885
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I, personally, am on SSDI, and definitely could not afford any increase in gas rates. Please consider the less fortunate AZ residents who are just scraping by.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Scott Lee-Benner

4500
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-2253

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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YOU MUST BE AWARE OF YOUR POORLY TIMED REQUEST TO RAISE PRICES ON GAS RATES. It was already done recently.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Darla Masterson
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85745-9615

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

When people try to economize and cut back on their usage, all of a sudden they need an increase in rates! Amazing how that always seems to happen. You just can't ever get ahead. Time to say NO to more Corporate profits!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Michelle Zimny
[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85027-4223
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

And our economy in general is in the toilet, now is not the time to add to our national and international problem.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. George Rautio


Green Valley, AZ 85614-2848

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Please do not raise our gas rates at this time.

sincerely,
linda g. miller

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. linda miller

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85250-6174

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Susan Newcomer


Tucson, AZ 85711-1630

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

I deleted the template message from this e-mail because I think it should be apparent to the commission that our economy is impacting the citizens of every state in the nation. We can barely make our mortgage payments on a home that is worth less than the payment we are making every month. We are working class people who make their payments honestly and struggle to survive in this depressed economy, I implore you to deny the rate hike until the economy and our income can support a hike. we are in no position to take on another expense and any increase in our monthly expenditures would be obviously detrimental.

Thank you
Charles Gomez
1044 W Paseo Way
Tempe, Az. 85283

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Charles Gomez
[REDACTED]
Tempe, AZ 85283-5442
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Bonnie Holloway

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85743-5447
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Carrazco Manuel


Nogales, AZ 85621-2549

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Doreen Clark

[REDACTED]
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268-5024
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and are struggling to make ends meet. Families and seniors alike are coming up short on daily necessities. Now is not the time to raise rates on the gas so many use to heat their homes and cook their family meals.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Shea Stanfield

[REDACTED]
Cave Creek, AZ 85327-4925

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Elaine Belanger


Apache Junction, AZ 85120-7644

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Retirees are seeing our savings dwindle. Our budgets can not take a \$75 increase.

Please vote no on the Southwest Gas rate increase.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Diane Crichfield

[REDACTED]
Peoria, AZ 85383-7193
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Doak McDuffie


Tucson, AZ 85742-9557



Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Majill Weber

[REDACTED]

Tucson, AZ 85756-7453

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Josie Sonoqui


Phoenix, AZ 85041-8703

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I am 70. I have been driving a big rig trucker of 9 years.

I just can't afford this increase because I am not working at this time.

I am asking PLEASE dont do this ...

Sincerely,

miss Millie Ferguson

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Millie Ferguson

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85031
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Richard Gonyea
4918 W Tortoise Drive
Robson Ranch

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Gonyea
[REDACTED]
Eloy, AZ 85131-3082

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jeanne Burnside

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85014-3247
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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At the beginning of January, 2011 we did not get any increase for the senior citizens for the third year. It is difficult on our Social Security budgets. Have compassion and mercy on us. Thank you for your help.

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Dolores Barrett


Tempe, AZ 85345

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Angie Duncan

Chandler, AZ 85286-0960

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. JAMES MAZEL

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85704-3005

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. robert wilson

[REDACTED]
Surprise, AZ 85374-6297

[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Salem

[REDACTED]
Green Valley, AZ 85622-8075

[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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People on a fixed income don't need this!!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Vern Fields


Sahuarita, AZ 85629-7924

Aug 11, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Corine Christiansen

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85234-8822
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Patrick Heming, Realtor
Semi-retired

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. patrick heming

[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85209-2262
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kaye Haspel

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85735-9233
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Joseph Murphy

[REDACTED]
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426-9400

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. everyone is in to very hard times, we do not need any higher utilities, take your raises from your over paid boses that should balance your overhead expenses.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Louis Valverde

Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-5163

Aug 10, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Reynolds


Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-1103

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. I, like so many others, are on a fixed income and cannot afford additional increases. The rates are high as it is.

Sincerely,
Shirley Heffner

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Shirley Heffner

[REDACTED]
Oro Valley, AZ 85737-6510
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pat Floyd

[REDACTED]
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268-2850
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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To have a rate increase now would be outrageous, since most people have had no wage increases to compensate for it!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pat English

Queen Creek, AZ 85142-9437

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Harold LeCompte


Claypool, AZ 85532-0787

Aug 10, 2011

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SINCERELY,
William McCulloch

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. William McCulloch
[REDACTED]
Surprise, AZ 85374-3003
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda Rae


Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-1471

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marie Jeleniowski
[REDACTED]
Prescott, AZ 86305-3903
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Eli Erev


Queen Creek, AZ 85142-8611

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Paul Frizane

[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85213-9621
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I AM ON SSDI , HAVE NOT RECEIVED A RAISE, CANNOT AFFORD ANY MORE INCREASES. OBAMA SAID PRICES WOULD NOT GO UP.

I LIVE ALONE , MAKE \$1028 A ;MONTH. \$245 THIS MONTH FOR ELECTRIC, WATER BILL DUE TO LEAK IN PIPES, \$245. MORTGAGE PAYMENT \$600, GAS BILL, MEDICAL BILLS-QUALIFY FOR STRAIGHT MEDICARE ONLY. FOOD STAMPS ARE \$12 A MONTH, CAR INSURANCE \$70 A MONTH. Internet and phone service \$60 a month, not to mention prescriptions medicare does not cover and testing, etc and gas to go to the doctor.

I have been living on my savings account which is almost drained as my medical credit card payment is very expensive.

I have medical bills on a medical credit card in the amount of \$6000 I pay on and I cannot afford to leave the home, nor can I afford to eat proper which has raised my cholesterol since I can only afford \$50 a month is food.

Denise Nance
2534 W. CHARTER OAK RD
PHOENIX, AZ 95029

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. DENISE NANCE

Phoenix, AZ 85029-2544

Aug 11, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase of more than \$65 a year for the average single family residence.

I am a teacher with mortgage payment and car payment. I am living from paycheck to paycheck. The cost of food and gasoline are way up. I have two kids going to college. There has been no Cost Of Living Adjustment for my district

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates more than \$65 a year.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Laxman Shrestha
[REDACTED]
Tempe, AZ 85283-4405

Aug 10, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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PLEASE DON'T LET SWG GET THAT MUCH OF AN INCREASE AT THIS TIME. WE HAVE NOT GOTTEN AN INCREASE ON SS IN TWO YEARS.

SO MANY PEOPLE IN AZ ARE OUT OF WORK AND WITH WINTER COMING HEATING WILL BE IMPORTANT. PLEASE DON'T MAKE LIFE MORE DIFFICULT THAN IT IS FOR SO MANY PEOPLE!

THANK YOU,
MRS. ELIZABETH KINSELLA
23209 N. MIRAGE LANE
SUN CITY WEST, AZ 85375

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. ELIZABETH KINSELLA
[REDACTED]
Sun City West, AZ 85375-2132
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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If SW Gas needs additional operating funds - tell them to get it from the executive salaries and bonuses. I am all for rewarding hard work, but sitting behind a desk and getting paid millions while your customers can barely exist is just plain greedy.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Judi Hyland


Florence, AZ 85132-3007

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jackie Faison

[REDACTED]
Oracle, AZ 85623-0484
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Mrs. Lue Murphy


Fort Mohave, AZ 86426-9400

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Rossland Trull

[REDACTED]
Tempe, AZ 85281-6410
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. RICHARD HOWARD
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85739-1083
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and most of us are struggling to meet everyday means. There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I am not against companies making a profit, but when your customers are struggling daily and YOUR COMPANY is making a profit You need to WAIT. We all need to share in getting this economy on the road to recovery.

I hope you will protect the little guy and do not allow this increase.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Paula Trook
Surprise, AZ 85374-6409

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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How do all the corporations expect us, the consumers, to keep paying higher and higher costs when we have to live on the same amount every month and year. Everything keeps going up and being retired and living on a fixed income we are expected to keep paying higher costs for all living expenses.

I don't know how senior citizens and even those employed with no raise in pay are expected to survive. One can only assume that those in control of our living and government don't give a "dammm". How do those seniors who subsist on SS only manage to live. How do they buy food, medicines and heat and light? That is what I would like to know. Any answers????

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Yvonne Adkins


Apache Junction, AZ 85119-5721

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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1. Thousands of Arizonans are out of work;
2. There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years;
3. The cost of food and gasoline are way up; and,
4. Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

We, the elderly Arizonans - as well as many younger families - simply cannot afford an increase in our gas bills!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Judith Herr


Sun City, AZ 85335

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Steven Engen

[REDACTED]
Cottonwood, AZ 86326-7736

[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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When I receive a 14% increase in my retirement check then I might look with more favor on this rate increase S.W. Gas is asking for.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bruce C. Johnson


Phoenix, AZ 85037-2732

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Please Don't Raise our Southwest Gas Rates!!!

Dear Commissioners; Brenda Burns, Sandra Kennedy, Paul Newman, Gary Pierce, Bob Stump.

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As an elected Commissioners, please dont't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the Southwest Gas rate increase request!!!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Armando & Beatriz Verdugo
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85705

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Armando Verdugo
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85705-3625

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

my wife and i are on social security and just getting by, a rate increase will be extremely hard on us

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. salvatore pacione

Surprise, AZ 85374-5094

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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Our government tells us there is no inflation but every time I turn around some utility is asking for more money and food is sky high as well. I don't know what the COLA data says, but it certainly does not take requests such as SW Gas' raise into account. With not Social Security Cost of Living increase for 2 years and none in sight, with the jobless rate and companies giving tiny raises, if any at all, to employees, the inflated cost of goods, etc. I'd say we consumers are behind the eight ball.

Please reconsider this exhorbitant increase request and if the company is deserving of some, make it 5%, not the 14% they are asking for.

Carolyn Mataraza
Goodyear, AZ 85395

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Carrie Mataraza

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
Goodyear, AZ 85395-8197
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Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jayne Engel

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85048-8904
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and many of them have expired their unemployment compensation. And as you know, Wall Street has recently gone south and many Arizonans most likely have experienced significant losses to what savings they might have. Please consider holding any increases until Gov Brewer's economic committee has had an opportunity to increase the business communitiy and jobs in Arizona. It would seem appropriate to allow this committee to complete it's job creation objectives before Arizonans are asked to accept utility rate increases.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mike Duran Jr

Phoenix, AZ 85083-2433

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marjorie Coggeshall

[REDACTED]
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-1296
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Due to the state of the Economy at this time, with the stock market losses all investors have experienced, this is a most unopportune time to raise rates.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Denis McAteer


Prescott, AZ 86303-6344

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
Everyone says no tax increases I say no rate increases.!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Mohr

[REDACTED]
Gold Canyon, AZ 85118-4962
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. ken moll


Scottsdale, AZ 85260-3710

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ernest Shaffer

[REDACTED]
Oro Valley, AZ 85737-9075
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

I'm retired and on a fixed income. And thousands of Arizonans are out of work and the prospects for them getting jobs are dismal.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Edward Groenhout

Flagstaff, AZ 86004-7569

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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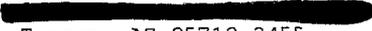
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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Vicki Steadman


Tucson, AZ 85718-3455

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Now is not the time to be raising to be raising our rates

Sincerely

Dennis J. Levi
1101 W Ternero
Tucson, AZ 85704

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Dennis Levi

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85704-2739
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

AND you have increased taxes on my 1500 sq;ft. home to 2,500 --
TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS -- Plllease PLEASE! stop before you
drive me out of my home and something to eat .

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas
request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. albert DiGiacomo

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85016-3304
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work. Thousands more are senior citizens on a fixed income. There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. The water company wants to raise rates over 80%.

We have to tighten our belts. It's only fair that the gas company does too.

Please vote no on the requested gas rate increase.

Alyce Rankin

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Alyce Rankin

Surprise, AZ 85374-1907

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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How can they raise us 14%. I can't afford that kind of raise - I am 77 years old and barely hanging on and not getting any raises and have to do with the money I have and so should they.

We have all had to cut back - let them do the same.

There is so much unemployment now and with the stock market racing up and down even the interests rates are nothing - what are they thinking about????

I hope you do not allow this increase.

Donna Peasley

PS - I jut found out this morning that there was a meeting at 10 in Phoenix - no time for me to attend then - why weren't we notified prior to this?

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donna Peasley
[REDACTED]
Surprise, AZ 85374-2924
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Joany Legg

[REDACTED]
Kingman, AZ 86401-4125
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Dear ACC Members:

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In connection with the SWG 14% increase request...Please be advised that

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

This is what I call an inflation spiral. Why does SWG have to contribute to this?

Our national economy is floundering a bit as I write. I believe that upward economic pressure like this is like a "salt on the wound" situation. In response to this upward pressure, the Feds might raise interest rates in the future. does our slowly emerging housing market need this? Also. raising utility rates is , in my opinion, counter productive. People can and will curtail their natural gas usage. An at worst switch their clothes dryers, stoves and water heaters over to electric.

Please give the SWG request your best analysis. If a nay vote results in the loss of a gas utility that might be a different story.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Sincerely

C. Buzard Sr.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Clifford S. Buzard Sr

Surprise, AZ 85388-1672

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up, and the current federal government is planning to raise our taxes.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Are you trying to force us to move to another state?

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Carolyn Allen

Surprise, AZ 85378-2563

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Everything is going up but not salaries, etc.

DO NOT INCREASE GAS RATES.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marcia Obillo

[REDACTED]
Avondale, AZ 85323-6299
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kay Van Houten
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85704-6933
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. t g


Sun Lakes, AZ 85248-7345

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. The cost of food and gasoline are way up and many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I retired from working over 30 years in an elementary school district in 2006 and in all those years, AZ State Retirement has not had a COLA increase.

I feel now is not the time to grant these rate increases.
Sincerely, Clara and Ernie Acuna

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. CLARA ACUNA


PHOENIX, AZ 85037

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. ROBERT DEWITZ

[REDACTED]
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-2958

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Henry Gonzalez

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85031-2517
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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Dear Commissioner Burns,

Someone needs to be concerned about the middle class as well as the poor. Gas is a necessity in many of our homes, not only to provide energy to prepare food, but also to provide warm/hot water to wash ourselves, our clothing and warmth during the winter months. With so many people out of work, no increases in Social Security, the cost of food sky rocketing, nearly everyone is struggling to make ends meet.

Southwest Gas has been supported for many years by the people of Arizona (all of us) and this proposed rate increase will do little to make us ever want to support future increases even when and if times improve.

Please support not raising rates until this terrible time in our history sees much needed improvement.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Doris Cullen

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85257

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Doris Cullen

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85257-2346
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Now is the time to back off on price increases. Families are struggling financially to find jobs, put food on their tables and pay their rent.

Oscar Quadros
5959 E. Sapphire Lane
Paradise Valley,
AZ 85253

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. OSCAR QUADROS

[REDACTED]
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253-2260
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There are many people in Arizona, as well as in other states, where an additional financial burden, as an increase in gas bills, is unsustainable. Food prices are out of control, as in a simple loaf of bread at a large grocery store, costing \$4.99 a loaf! Many of us have not had an increase in Social Security benefits, into which we paid regularly, for many years. It seems a rather irrational thought that people can continue to be asked to give more than they receive. Please reconsider that this is not the time to increase anything including the cost of heating water, cooking appliances and furnaces- it is the time to really look at how, where and why costs are rising without honest exploration of other possible solutions.

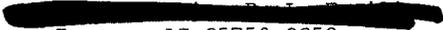
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Janet Murray


Tucson, AZ 85750-2852

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Darlene Caccitolo

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85750-2417

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. alicia gutbub

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85719-1314

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Barbara Edmunson

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85739

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Barbara Edmunson

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85739-9704

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mark Willis


Phoenix, AZ 85029-2625

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Edythe Pavlov

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Quartzsite, AZ 85359-4535
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Being a stay at home mom of two small children and my husband working harder than ever to make ends meet the cost of things has got to stop going up. If the cost of things continues to go up more and more people are going to be forced to default on their homes and other things. Please do not raise the Southwest Gas Rates it will hurt so many families trying to make ends meet in this difficult time.

Thank you.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pamela Elslager


Marana, AZ 85658-4687

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

This is another example of over paid executives raising the rates to the users that are at their mercy. Cut their salaries until a 14% rate increase hurts them.

every company is justifying increases by saying it is only a small percentage.

However at the end of the day small percenages have broken everyones back.

25% for gasoline ; 14% for CNG; 20% for food; 13% for electricity; rent up 33%.

Then employers are reducing the low income employees by 10%.

Where does it balance out?

STOP INCREASES UNTIL WE HAVE A BALANCED ECONOMY.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. David roden

Mohave Valley, AZ 86440-8418

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jack Kahn

1688
Chandler, AZ 85225-1640

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. neil johnson
[REDACTED]
surprise, AZ 85379
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Angel Morris


Phoenix, AZ 85042-7929

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Yuma has the highest unemployment in the state and an increase in gas rates would hit us hard. Those of us on fixed incomes would fare even worse.

Oil/gas companies are making record profits. This is outrageous.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. EVELYN TRONE

[REDACTED]
Yuma, AZ 85365-7203
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

I encourage you to vote NO on the Southwest Gas request to raise the rates. Now is certainly not the time to even consider such a request!

The cost of food and gasoline have risen a great deal, and there seems to be no relief in sight for lower prices.

Many Arizonans are currently struggling to even make ends meet, and sometimes to even have a little money to buy food and the bare necessities. Many people are out of work, and have been out of work for a considerable length of time. Jobs are not easy to find right now!

For those of us on fixed incomes, it is also extremely difficult. It is very difficult to be able to pay for doctor's visits and needed medicines. There has been on Social Security COLA increase for two (2) years, and it is highly doubtful there will be any increase for 2012!

Again, vote NO on the proposed rate increase!

Sincerely,

Ron Trusley

Phoenix AZ 85043-1904

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ron Trusley

Phoenix, AZ 85043-1904

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

A freeze on rates should be put into affect until there is a dramatic improvement with the economy.

Many citizens are struggling to pay their bills and are barely able to hang on to their homes. We live on a fixed income and have had no raises in the past few years so we feel the effects of ALL price increases.

PLEASE DO NOT APPROVE any price increases to our utility bill.
Vote NO

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda Butler,

Tonopah, AZ 85354-0909

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alvin Vaughan
[REDACTED]
Peoria, AZ 85345-7736

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Haven't you been watching the news.....now is not the time to raise prices on anything....except maybe taxes on the rich!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Betty Wittenberg

Glendale, AZ 85308-6670

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

For many Arizonans, it a choice between buying food and paying for the utilities, or paying rent.

\$6.25 more amonth may not seem like a lot of money, but to some people, it's a fortune.

Please reconsider this raise in rates.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Penni Swart-White

Tucson, AZ 85741-3736

Aug 11, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase of more than \$65 a year for the average single family residence.

Dear Bob Stump,

Please do not raise Southwest Gas Rates. We haven't had a COLA for two years and soon three and maybe never more. Interest rates on savings are at zero. Insurance companies are all raising rates plus utilities. Food and gas are rising. Are you living under a rock? Where is all this money to come from?

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates. They obviously are saving money by not having to pay meter readers any more.

Please vote NO on the Southwest Gas arate increase request.

Thank you,
Barbara Pitcher
2530 Camino del Rio
Bullhead City, AZ 86442

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates more than \$65 a year.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Barbara Pitcher
[REDACTED]
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-7609,
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and have been underemployed for over three years.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. We all must tighten our belts to bring us through this period. Businesses included.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. It is understood that utilities require a resonable rate of return in order to maintain capital requirements for upgrade and maintenance of gas lines. However, we should not have to pay to finance the advertising and ownership of sports boxes, PACS and or mistakes made by Managment. Also, times being what they are with fossil fuels, the incentive for conservation of natural gas should not be taken away so that companies can maintain there additional income stream. Capitalism and this country were not built on guarantees (until recently within the last 30 years) and companies should not be requesting this type of guarantee while maintaining a near monopoly on providing these services.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Amando Trillo

Phoenix, AZ 85029-3600

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Please do not raise rates at this time. Since my heart attack I have not found employment. My husband has suffered pay cuts for the past 4 years.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Please , I will have no place to turn for financial help. I can not sell my (already broken down house) due to the market. We do not live an extravagant lifestyle. My car iis more than 10 years old and in need of repair too. P LEASE do not raise rates.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mary M Murphy

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Tempe, AZ 85283-3032

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Elizabeth Gipple

[REDACTED]
Globe, AZ 85501-5060
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and while I do work as an on-call pharmacist occasionally, I am retired for the most part and rely on SS for daily living expenses. There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years and I do not expect one this year..The cost of food and gasoline are way up and continuing to rise, but not at the rate that you request.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. This request could not come at a worse time, our economy is on the ropes, personal savings and IRA;s have lost value and still the big corporations go their merry way awarding outlandish pay and benefits to CEO's and pocketing every increasing profits and paying little or no taxes, Enough is enough I urge you to deny this rate increase or most certainly lower it to a more economically sane level.

Please vote no to this outrageously high rate increase.
Thank you.

Sincerely:
Max W. Allen

Peoria, AZ 85382

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Max Allen

Peoria, AZ 85382-4157

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Gloria Pino-lugo

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85295-5842
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please, don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Sincerely
Dr. Martha C Meeks

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85716

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Martha Meeks

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85716-3618
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Augustus Gladding
[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85395-8175

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
I have many medical bills.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Mary Hackenbrock

[REDACTED]
Oro Valley, AZ 85755-5817

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Diana Sierras

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85735-2174
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I have taken in my sister-in-law and her boyfriend because they are out of work and retired living on a fixed income.

I can't afford more bills at this time. I know the economy is bad for everyone business alike but please reconsider this move.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sharon Gowin

Phoenix, AZ 85037-1109

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

When we do get raises it is nowhere near 14% lucky to get 1 or 2%

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Dreama Layne

[REDACTED]
Marana, AZ 85653-8742
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up; and continue to climb higher and higher.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Tammy Arkley

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85745-9357

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

In this economy, with seniors and working folks NOT receiving any pay (at all) or no increases in Social Security and/or pensions they have worked for ALL their lives, there should be NO increases in gas or any utilities.

Companies are losing money (of course) but they pass on the loss to the public. The public is losing money from EVERY company so it is a cumulative effect. We cannot pass on our loss to anyone !!!!!!!!!!! Companies have to live within their own budgets. When we hear (or we really don't !) that companies pass out huge bonuses to their executives, and have cried poverty, AND increased our rates, there is NO recourse for us to stop this other than Congress and state governments. So HELP us out, and put a STOP to this increase and other increases until we can afford it. For now, we can't. November is coming. We will remember all this...

Ralph Menweg

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ralph Menweg


Bullhead City, AZ 86442-8743

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

The financial markets have ruined any chances for growth in retirement fund investments.

Give something back to the people rather than always taking more and more from those that can least afford it!

Sincerely,
Angela Bellan

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Angela Bellan

[REDACTED]
Sun City West, AZ 85375-3840
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Many Arizonans are struggling in this volatile economy.

Now is NOT the time to increase prices on necessities. especially with the recent economic downturn!

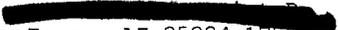
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Patricia Neville


Tempe, AZ 85284-1752

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lillian Bowman

[REDACTED]
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268-4827
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

The people of Arizona are struggling everyday to making ends meet everyday. Oil and gas companies see profits rising every quarter and still want to pass the cost of doing business along to consumers. It is ridiculous, many of their consumers are seniors who have not seen a COLA in two years, or pensioners in the same boat. The unemployed in Az keep struggling to pay their bills while executives of oil and gas companies enjoy annual bonuses and profit sharing. Protect the people of AZ, not the corporations. Even though this sitting Supreme Court in its wisdom (?) believes corporations, are people, corporations do not bleed, or shed teard, only people do.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Barbara Brown

[REDACTED]
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426-6591
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Law


Phoenix, AZ 85042-7264

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hope Gomez
[REDACTED]
Buckeye, AZ 85326

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Douglas Morrison

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85024-4431
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Most families and most governments are cutting back because of the economy and Southwest Gas should do so!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Patterson

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85711-4014
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Charles Hochreiter

[REDACTED]
Page, AZ 86040-1597
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends

I think it's deplorable that you would even consider raising the rates at this time.

Thank You
Lloyd Dockendorf

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. LLOYD DOCKENDORF


Green Valley, AZ 85614-4174

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

My husband is in construction and he hasn't had work for about 4 years

Many others are out of work too.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food, gasoline and everything are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
We cannot afford air conditioning and keep our heat very low to save money.

It is hard to buy groceries.

We cannot afford price increases. The people need relief from all this economic hardship!!!!

Peggy Schuler

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Peggy Schuler

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Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-5180
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Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. patricia folger


Scottsdale, AZ 85254-2412

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

APS and Southwest Gas together are asking for your approval to raise average home utility costs almost \$175 a year.

Please do not approve the APS and Southwest Gas requests.

Now is not the time for an average \$175 a year increase.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The costs of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Now is not the time to raise our combined gas and electric rates an average of \$175 a year.

I'm counting on you, as an elected Commissioner.

Please vote NO on the requests to raise our rates an average of \$175 a year.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda Moroney


Tucson, AZ 85747-5111

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

APS and Southwest Gas together are asking for your approval to raise average home utility costs almost \$175 a year.

Please do not approve the APS and Southwest Gas requests.

Now is not the time for an average \$175 a year increase.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The costs of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Now is not the time to raise our combined gas and electric rates an average of \$175 a year.

I'm counting on you, as an elected Commissioner.

Please vote NO on the requests to raise our rates an average of \$175 a year.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lynn Murphy

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85715-6809
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

APS and Southwest Gas together are asking for your approval to raise average home utility costs almost \$175 a year.

Please do not approve the APS and Southwest Gas requests.

Now is not the time for an average \$175 a year increase. Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and are struggling to make ends meet. There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. The costs of food and gasoline have also gone up.

I'm counting on you, as an elected Commissioner.

Please vote NO on the requests to raise our rates an average of \$175 a year.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Rosanne Couston


Tucson, AZ 85745-1668

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Hunt

[REDACTED]
Sanders, AZ 86512-1616
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Edwin Prescott


Tucson, AZ 85730-5740

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Dear Commissioners: B. Burns, S. Kennedy, P. Newman, G. Pierce and B. Stump,

With the rising costs of almost everything in the past 6 months and the financial situation of so many of our families and seniors this is NOT THE TIME to raise heating costs almost \$75.00 a year.

Also with the downgrade for America to AA+ there are many of us who are now in worse financial shape then we were 3 weeks ago. Who knows where all this will end!

So this request for a raise is very bad timing for most of our Arizona citizens with so many struggling to make ends meet. As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates, thank you.

Sincerely,
Mrs. C. Joyce Meakins
[REDACTED]
Casa Grande, AZ. 85122

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Mrs. C. Joyce Meakins
[REDACTED]
Casa Grande, AZ 85122-5430
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet, especially our seniors here in retirement communities who are on fixed low incomes.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Joan Eisner

[REDACTED]
Green Valley, AZ 85614-1540

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Darryl Menard

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-2890
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alberto Gaa

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85296-4172

[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Dear Commissioners:

We would like to express our objections to the 14% increase that Southwest Gas has requested. Families are struggling to make their mortgage payments and are trying to support their families. We are retired and living on a fixed income and have not received a cost of living increase in two years.

In view of the current economy it would seem that NOW is not the time to request this increase.

Please consider a NO Vote on this Gas Rate Increase request.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dan and Dorothy Cosetto
17413 North White Tank Vista
Surprise, Az. 85374

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Dan/Dorothy Cosetto

Surprise, AZ 85374-2948

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda Smith

Mesa, AZ 85205

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

AND the Commission is going to be asked to raise our Water Rates over 50% in addition to the Gas Rate increase!!!! Our pensions and Social Security payments are continuing to lose their buying power with the increase in medical, food and gasoline prices. Yesterday our IRA's and 401(K) decreased beyond belief! Our children can't help out because they are out of work and may lose their home.

So the Gas Co. thinks this is the time for a 100+% raise in our gas rates! GET A LIFE!!

Commissioners; are you really going to do this to your parents and grandparents?????

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Kennedy

Surprise, AZ 85374-6230

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

That's a 14% increase. My income has not increased at all. I have had no Social Security Cost of Living (COLA) increases for two years.

The town of Oro Valley, where I live, recently doubled the utility tax from 2% to 4%. This would add even more to this rate increase.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Bristow

[REDACTED]
Oro Valley, AZ 85755-6542

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Patricia Shelton

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85260-90 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

And we just gave 5 billion plus to Somalia, why not keep it at home. I know these folks are suffering, but so are many, many Americans.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Deborah Highfield


Marana, AZ 85658-4560

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Home prices are down.

Health care costs are going up.

Education is getting higher

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. George Kiebach


Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-1074

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Harry Boettcher
[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85215-1400

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Sussman
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85730-2239

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Mc Cullough

[REDACTED]
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86406-7759
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Annette and Larry Walth
[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-5203

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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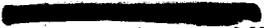
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Charles Rennie Rennie


Clarkdale, AZ 86324-3709

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

My wife and I continue to work because we cannot afford to retire. There are too many people struggling.

This is not the time to raise anything!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. robert cohen


Surprise, AZ 85379-5540

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
my income has not gone up

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. charlotte shatto
[REDACTED]
Gold Canyon, AZ 85118-1810
[REDACTED]

Aug 11, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

SW Gas is doing fine. They just passed a 3% dividend! And in this economy that is outstanding when you consider my bank is paying me point.02% for my savings!

How dare SW Gas call for an increase!! It's outrageous - high unemployment, inflation, housing equity worthless and this corporation that is already making profit wants a raise??

Say no to their greed. They can economize like the rest of us!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Don Ware


Anthem, AZ 85086-1772

Aug 11, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. I am disabled and one of these people. Also raising a 7 year old.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Please don't be one of the "greedy ones" that have placed our country in this situation in the first place. You'll only make things worse.

Vickey Scott
843 W Simmons Rd
Tucson, AZ 85705

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Vickey Scott

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85705-2640
[REDACTED]

Aug 11, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Richard Jensen

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85745-1631
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

With as many people out of work, and even out of homes in this state, the financial burdens are already overwhelming. How can you even think of increasing the cost of a necessity at a time like this? The costs of food and gasoline are also up and there have been no SS increases for 2 years. Where do think the money will come from to pay for even one more cost increase, when the paycheck (if you are even getting one!) has to be juggled to even partially cover what is already hanging over our heads?

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Beverly Blair


Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403-3804

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Southwest Gas must, as the majority of Arizona families, do more with less. NO RATE INCREASE DURING THESE ECONOMIC TIMES!!!!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ralph Martinez
[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85257-1743

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

How much more can the average American take on? This is no time for increases. Tighten your belts like everyone else including the officers and executives of your corporation.
Please vote no on this rate increase.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Les Meyers

[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85338-4941
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Now is not the time to be raising rates....Thousands of homes set empty, people have no jobs, we are all having to tighten our belts just to survive. This is just not a good time for most people, and these large companies need to realize they too should tighten there belts, and give people a break...We are not getting any raises....

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. glenda meyers

[REDACTED]
Glendale, AZ 85306-3117

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
We cannot afford any increase!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carol Bland
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Elaine Kunzel

[REDACTED]
Sun City West, AZ 85375-3840

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. GEORGE L. GARANT

Scottsdale, AZ 85254-3337

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Please so not approve this rate increase. This will do even mor to destroy Arizona's economy.

Mary Jane Deenihan
3418 W. Darien Way
Phoenix, AZ 85086

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Mary Jane Deenihan
[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85086-2168
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. rolin kowalski

[REDACTED]
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-7417

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Electricity and water also want rate increases. We're asked to conserve in all these areas, but when we do we're slapped with more rate increase because the utilites arn't making enough money. There's only so much the public can bear; especilly when there's no where to go for us to get more money to cover these rate hikes.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lillian Anderson


Sun City, AZ 85351-2609

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Severino Gonzales

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85748-6433
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

We have had increase in our sewer rate in recently, it gets more difficult to make ends meet when utilites increase.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Karen Silva

[REDACTED]
7830 E Carefree Est
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. carol alf-rogers

[REDACTED]
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86404-1257
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Harry Stobbe

[REDACTED]
Glendale, AZ 85301-5401
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As a small business owner, I can not raise my patient fees 14%. please reconsider.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. mike fair

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85742-1571
[REDACTED]

Aug 10, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Margaret Wolfgarth

[REDACTED]
Cottonwood, AZ 86326-5830
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marcia Toma

[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85395

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Please hold down prices to allow those of us who are struggling to put food on the table and pay our basic medical bills.

Have some compassion for your fellow constituents who are at wits end to be able to afford the basic necessities of life from day to day.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Elaine Young

[REDACTED]
Chandler, AZ 85249-3655
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Our family has closed its business of 32 years and is currently living on disability. We have cut back spending greatly.

Janice Wessman
5434 E. Lincoln Dr.#86
Paradise Valley, Az 85253

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Janice Wessman
[REDACTED]
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253-4118

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Dianne Lingerfelt
[REDACTED]
Flagstaff, AZ 86004-1605
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Mary Ann Maher

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85028-4721
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. judy indovina


Maricopa, AZ 85139-0019

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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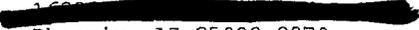
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Joe Files


Phoenix, AZ 85032-2970

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

I am a senior single woman living on my Social Security check of slightly over \$900/ month. The cost of food, utilities, gas, rent have all gone up, but our Soc.Security remains the same amount. I surely hope that you don't raise our rates, as I don't know where to cut my expenses...and I know I am not the only older person in this position. Additionally, Some of my younger neighbors lost their jobs and several were evicted for non-payment of rent. Such an increase seems extreme in these troubled times.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Noel Fitzgerald
[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85042-6342

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Nicholas Lauletta

Peoria, AZ 85383-2831

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. joyce west

Surprise, AZ 85374-2925

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mary Strassell

[REDACTED]
Chino Valley, AZ 86323-5325
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Elaine Plemmons


Scottsdale, AZ 85257-4735

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and many of us are retired and trying to get by on limited incomes.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
Most of all, please remember you were elected to represent the consumers, not the utilities companies.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lany Kay Martell

[REDACTED]
Eloy, AZ 85131-8039
[REDACTED]

Aug 11, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. madeleine glaser

[REDACTED]
Green Valley, AZ 85614-1144
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Edward Bergeson


Oro Valley, AZ 85755-6563

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Prices continue to go up, especially food and containers are certainly being downsized- as if consumers could not figure this out!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Naomi Jack

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sue Wilkin


Kingman, AZ 86401-8282

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Not only have there been no raises for Social Security, but I also haven't received a raise in my modest pension for the past three years. This hasn't prevented rises in the cost of food and gasoline.

There are thousands like me all over Arizona, as well as thousands of people out of work. The last thing any of us need right now is an increase in gas rates, especially such a large one that is proposed.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Barbara Farwell

[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85351-4743
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Susan Crinage
PO Box 12201
Tucson, AZ 85732-3391

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. The cost of food and gasoline are way up.
Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Real estate values keep falling and foreclosures increasing, so we are squeezed in every direction. Don't let SW Gas squeeze us more, too. The oil and gas business is not losing money.; If they won't give us cost of living increases on our SS, don't let others make it even harder than it is. As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the SW Gas request to raise our rates. Vote NO on the rate increase!

Thanks for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Jon Leon
2911 E. Michigan Avenue

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jonathan Leon
[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85032-1157
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. danilla same


Gilbert, AZ 85298-8675

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marilyn Filippone

[REDACTED]
Maricopa, AZ 85139-7629
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Fred Irvin

[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85209-1387
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Nancy Bowland

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85748-6912
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Pablo Ruiz

[REDACTED]
Green Valley, AZ 85614-1409
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Viki Deverill

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85752-9940
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Resa Kaiser


Oro Valley, AZ 85737-7249

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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another rate increase is absolutely ridiculous.

People are just barely making ends meet and now S.W. Gas wants a ridiculous rate increase.

This is not the time for a rate increase. I'm sure SW Gas is probably complaining that they must have an increase because the cost of doing business is more expensive. If that's what they're saying, I don't buy that.

I'm sure they don't pay any taxes and save a ton of money and if they do pay taxes, I'm sure they pay a lot less than they should. Besides, who really pays their taxes, the consumer. So that money that they're saving should be more than enough to cover their expenses.

I'm sure they're playing the game that they ask for a huge rate increase like 14% when they actually know that they won't get that but get say 12%.

either way I urge you to reject granting them their outrageous rate increase.

Bruce

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. bruce margolis


Phoenix, AZ 85036-0192

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Deborah Hart

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85013-3930
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Williams


Phoenix, AZ 85087-4907

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Dear Commission Members,

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. I have not had a raise, even for cost of living in 3 years.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Now is not the time to raise heating costs almost \$75 a year.

Sincerely, Andrea K. Henderson
10363 E. Loveless Gardner Lane
Tucson, AZ 85747

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Andrea Henderson
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85747-5868

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

I oppose this rate increase, & the idea of "decoupling".
If I use less of a product, I should pay less- not have to make up the difference for a business.
Thank you for your time.

Nick & Julie Plaskon
21586 Casa Royale
Surprise, AZ

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Nick Plaskon

Surprise, AZ 85387-2725

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
This just makes life harder for all us.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Roger Brewer

[REDACTED]
Sun City West, AZ 85375-2948

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Cecil Lewis

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85234-7639
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

This is NOT the time to raise the rates on our home gas heating.

- Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.
- There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.
- The cost of food and gasoline are way up.
- Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Also, do NOT allow Southwest Gas to decouple their rates from their earnings.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ray Oliver

[REDACTED]
Tempe, AZ 85283-2163
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Cicero Cast'On

[REDACTED]
Kingman, AZ 86402-3682
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

Foreclosures are at record levels.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. h t abel


Sun City West, AZ 85375-4723

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Breen


Casa Grande, AZ 85194-7274

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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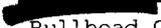
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. WILLIS FINICAL



Bullhead City, AZ 86442-4466

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Let's see how much revenue you loose because folks won't be able to pay more. Why not raise it to \$100 more a month ! Bankrup the middle class sooner rather than later...

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda Porter

Surprise, AZ 85387-7242

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Yet, companies keep increasing the rates to build for future use or to give pay increases to those that make the most money already. Sense of community, concern about others no longer exist.

Cut the pay of those at the top, put building on hold, ration if needed, FREEZE rates as was done in the 70's!

This country is upside down. The poor are expected to pay for everything!

Last year a rate increase was granted that was only suppose to increase most families by \$4 a month. I am single, small home, use half what others use. My bill increased by \$20 a month.

NO INCREASE! NO INCREASE! NO INCREASE!

Laura Hacker

NO INCREASES!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Laura Hacker


Mesa, AZ 85209-5027

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Wayne Branson

[REDACTED]
Prescott, AZ 86305-5058,
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Please consider all of the negatives of raising the rates on S W Gas customers in Arizona. All of the utility companies are trying to put us customers out of business (or out of state). There are very few people in this difficult economic time that can sustain huge utility rate hikes. The Gas Company is asking for a 14% increase. This is not acceptable. Thank you for your consideration.

Donna Hoyt
[REDACTED]
Surprise, AZ 85374

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donna Lou Hoyt
[REDACTED]
Surprise, AZ 85374-3899

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Karen Stinn

[REDACTED]
Cave Creek, AZ 85331-2349
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Terry Cryer

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85233-3248
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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I know that these are bad times for everyone, but why is it that the utility companies never want to do their share to help the ailing public. It's not only the utilities that do this. Most major corporations pay their executives excesses while the company workers suffer along with the rest of us. This mentality has to stop before they push the public to a point that none of us want to see.
Douglas A Bouley

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Douglas Bouley

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85045-1758
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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It's time the average American doesn't have to keep being penalized because the government/corporations can't hold their costs down. We are expected to eke out a living. We can't keep taking it any more.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Dorothy Golle


Anthem, AZ 85086-1403

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
There are too many retirees here in Yuma that live on Social Security or Disability that can not afford this increase. Think of what this would do to them. Many would have to go to electric.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda Shillabeer

[REDACTED]
Yuma, AZ 85367-5690
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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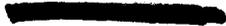
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Roberto J Gallegos


Green Valley, AZ 85614-2102

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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That's a 14% increase. My income has not increased at all. Relying on Social Security and a small pension, I have had no Social Security Cost of Living (COLA) increases for two years. My small pension has remained the same for the last three years.

The town of Oro Valley, where I live, recently doubled the utility tax from 2% to 4%.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Diane Bristow


Oro Valley, AZ 85755-6542

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Rochelle Liddicoat


Glendale, AZ 85303-4814

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

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I used to think that gas was an economical way to dry clothes and heat my home. The cost has been driven up many times by S. W. Gas that many times the bill is higher than my electric bill. I am on a fixed income - Social Security and a very small pension. What are you people thinking. \$75.00 a year may not seem like a lot to S. S. Gas but it is to me. I am 77 years old and am having a hard time as it is.

Are your profits more important than the people you serve. Vote NO on this rate increase

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Charlene Freitag


Scottsdale,, AZ 85251

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Please Remember"Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two (2) years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
PLEASE DO NOT allow SWG to have such a large increase in its rate.
Also, decoupling is outrageous.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

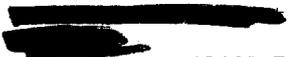
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Essex Peters


Phoenix, AZ 85009-7048

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
This is not the time to raise the price . read the abouve
THAT SAID IT ALL
JOHN MERAW
3401 W. MCLELLAN BLVD
PHOENIX AZ 85017

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. john meraw
3 [REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85017-1442
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. (This includes my wife and I)

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. (This includes my wife and I)

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

With the market falling this past week, our retirement funds that we live on are leaving us with bare necessities!

Now is not the time to raise rates!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Diller

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85298-8651
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Anthony Profera

[REDACTED]
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403-5155
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. William Squires


Sun City West, AZ 85375-3010

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years and the cost of food and gasoline are way up.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Judith Potteiger

[REDACTED]
Casa Grande, AZ 85122-2382
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

have recently lost my husband and living on a VERY fixed income, I am struggling to make ends meet as it is. Please vote no. Thank you

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. susan kriz-macduffie

Peoria, AZ 85345-7802

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jerome Beatty

[REDACTED]
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426-6057
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donna Lyons-Chavez


Lk Havasu Cty, AZ 86403-2931

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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You represent US and we vote. Please remember that.

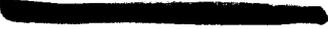
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Janet Korzan


Marana, AZ 85658-4560

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donna Chelini

[REDACTED]
Green Valley, AZ 85614-4012
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

Other costs including food, gasoline, and healthcare are increasing dramatically. This is a critical time, when many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Steven Mitchelson


Rimrock, AZ 86335-6008

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans myself included are on a fixed income and my 401K just took a hit and now you will be asked to let Southwest Gas to raise rates.

They are still discovering more gas wells and the cost to SWGas is falling. Greed is the reason for the request.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Joseph Brutsche

[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85338-9607
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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And the Federal Weatherization Program, specifically designed to help low income reduce costs through use of insulation techniques and correcting any inoperational cooler/heaters has already been cut and you want to hit the poor even harder?

Even the rest of us don't deserve that!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Rayborn

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85020-3708
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Many are unemployed and are unable to pay their utility bills now. A raise in rates just make it harder.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Patricia Espinoza

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Phoenix, AZ 85015-6046
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Aug 9, 2011

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With the stock market losses this past week, now is not the time to slap retired Arizonans with higher living expenses.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Barbara Kincaid
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85756-9611

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Cesarf Rodriguez

[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85351-2843
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Judith Haas


Peoria, AZ 85383-2003

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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You must, like all of us find ways to cut costs not just increase rates.....be responsible.

John Orologio
Queen Creek Az

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Orologio
[REDACTED]
Queen Creek, AZ 85142-3605
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The AAA rating is no more!

America is in a bad transition mode!

America is facing some big problem!

Now with a lot of American unemployed Southwest Gas wants to raise the rates----does that seem fair, especially right now?

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Foster

[REDACTED]
Huachuca City, AZ 85616-9705
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kathleen Hodge


Peoria, AZ 85381-4413

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I agree, I am getting ready to retire and I realize it is hard on everyone but 14% is way too steep, and what do we get in return?

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Julie Pearman

[REDACTED]
Chandler, AZ 85224-2546
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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What in the world are we coming to? What will happen when people start bankrupting just so we can eat and buy medicines?

Carolyn J Hughes
2233 E Behrend Dr. Space 273
Phoenix, Az. 85024

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Carolyn J. Hughes



Phoenix, AZ 85024-1870

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jim Olsen

[REDACTED]
Casa Grande, AZ 85122-2417
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Let's work together to get America and Americans back on our feet! We will not succeed if it's 'every man for himself.'

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. mary angell

Tucson, AZ 85730-3302

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

14% increase is not only huge, it is despicable. In the lives of we seniors who live on fixed incomes it is huge blow.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mary McEvelly

[REDACTED]
Sun City West, AZ 85375-5800

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. I am retired.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Karen Jones

[REDACTED]
Green Valley, AZ 85622-8073
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

If prices go up any higher, some of us will be forced to walk away from our homes, take the loss because there wouldn't be any profit anyway, and move in with our children.
Is that what you want?

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Helene Honey De Serre

[REDACTED]
Chandler, AZ 85248-6327
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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APS should do the sort of belt-tightening all its customers are having to do before looking for increased revenue. The timing could not be worse for a rate change.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Suzanne Clemenz


Sedona, AZ 86351-7666

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans including myself are struggling to make ends meet.

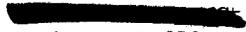
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bertron Daron


Anthem, AZ 85086-1816

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I THINK ALL OF THE SOUTHWEST GAS BOARD
SHOULD BE RE CALLED ANY ONE THAT IS TRYING TO RAISE THE COST OF
ANYTHING IN THESE TIMES
ARE JUST GREEDY

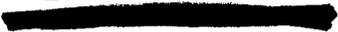
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Dale Hickson


Casa Grande, AZ 85122-1153

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I, like many Arizonans, am on a fixed income without any health benefits.

This is definitely NOT the time to raise our gas rates.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alex Favela


Phoenix, AZ 85041-4018

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Southwest Gas has always been considerate on listening to the public when times are hard. Times are hard.

Please listen to your customers.

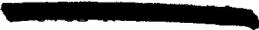
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Sincerely,

Mr. Patrick Ferreira


Glendale, AZ 85301-5740

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Brenda Bums

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85256-4010
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Greed is ugly!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marie-Claude Perigon

Tucson, AZ 85719-25

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. ELIZABETH POWELL


Sahuarita, AZ 85629-0949

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

Business are failing, moving, downsizing, etc....

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for several years with other cuts to social security being developed....

The cost of food, services, healthcare and gasoline are way up and going higher!

Arizonans at each economic level are struggling to make ends meet.

PLEASE NO RATE INCREASE!

Signed William Speakman
Yuma, Arizona 85364

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. WILLIAM SPEAKMAN

[REDACTED]
Yuma, AZ 85364-4229
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. jim cunningham


Surprise, AZ 85374-5617

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

We, along with many Arizonans, are struggling to make ends meet.

Please, we need your help!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Laura Perrin

[REDACTED]
Vail, AZ 85641-6569
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Our stocks are way down and our 401K is also going down. Not sure how we will be able to manage much longer.

An increase at this time would be a hardship for us.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Margaret Mirek

Mesa, AZ 85212-2052

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jami Uema


Chandler, AZ 85286-2364

Aug 9, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marjorie Kugler



Peoria, AZ 85345-6964


Aug 9, 2011

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Allen

Scottsdale, AZ 85260-5331

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I have been on SS for 4 years - YOU try and pay your bills, buy food and gas on \$1,300.00/mo. If you raise SWG rates, it's going to be a hardship on me and others that I know on SS. If we had received our raises as the government officials have, maybe we wouldn't mind a small raise in your business, but we haven't had a COL raise for 2 years and are not going to have one in 2012 and probably 2013. I can't believe you want to raise our rates at this awful time. I would go back to work (at age 68), but I am disabled and cannot. I, as other people, don't mind working. Even if it's for 7.00/hr. it's a job. I just can't believe this!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Linda Brady

Phoenix, AZ 85032-5723

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Steven Tirado

Surprise, AZ 85374-4451

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Georgette Williams

Peoria, AZ 85383-3484

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Raymond Doane


Tucson, AZ 85739-2119

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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NOTHING has gotten 14% better for me and my family -- such an increase at this time is totally unacceptable.

Working people and the poor are fed up with corporate abuse. We're taking down the names of the Commission members, and you WILL pay at the polls for your actions !!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Charles Hallowell

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85033-3711

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. It is a horrible idea to raise th rates. Many can't hardly pay them now. Please don't do this to us.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Avis Porter

Tucson, AZ 85712-2339

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mikel Smith


Globe, AZ 85502-1357

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carla Ownwomon


Glendale, AZ 85308-7062

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. The stock market is in the toilet. 401(k)'s are wiped out.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Lee Bordelon

[REDACTED]
Florence, AZ 85132-6632
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Luella Brown


Peoria, AZ 85383-3975

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ken Moak

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Phoenix, AZ 85053-5303
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Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gino Rocha


Gilbert, AZ 85298-5338

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

No SWG rate increase should be given at this time.

Thank you,

Theresa Meeker
24200 N. Allma School Rd #37
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Theresa Meeker
[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-3003
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I don't know of too many Arizonans who have had a pay increase in recent years, let alone a 14 percent one. And there's little to no status change or increase in sight for the unemployed or those on a fixed-income so why add to the burden being experienced across the state with a rate increase at this time?

Sincerely,
Kathleen Giordano
13991 N Sutherland Trail
Tucson, AZ 85739

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kathleen Giordano
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85739-9660

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. William Tietz

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85748-6814
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Dwight Montjar

[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85338-5286
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

With so many out of work, the cost of food constantly increasing, gas well over \$3.00 a gallon, and most lower wage earners receiving no pay raises - to include those on Social Security receiving in COLA increases in two years I don't understand how SW Gas can justify a 14 % rate increase.

Please consider those who are having a really tough time making ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Bonnie L Lee

Tucson, AZ 85710-6531

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas Spishock


Chandler, AZ 85226-1624

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. George Seebeck Jr

[REDACTED]
Dewey, AZ 86327-5237
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As such, this is a time in which all Americans must work together, i.e., the rich corporations must not seek excessive profits in such a downturned economy when their customers are struggling to put food on their tables or buy school clothing and supplies. Common sense is in order when taking into consideration the totality of the decision which you must render.

Respectfully,

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. WALTER WILSON

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85737-9479
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marcia Robinson

[REDACTED]
Cottonwood, AZ 86326-4655
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Southwest Gas does not need a 14% increase and definitely not with the decoupling it is also requesting. Please vote no on this matter.

Sara Jane Gray
35808 N. 7th Street
Phoenix, AZ 95086

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sara Jane Gray

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85086-7410
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Janet Baser


Cottonwood, AZ 86326-7377

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kimberly O'Connor
[REDACTED]
Surprise, AZ 85388-1203
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

It is time that we think of those who are struggling make ends meet and give them a break.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kenneth Ahlstrand


Oro Valley, AZ 85755-6552

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Now is not the time for such a large increase.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Victoria King

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85266-1284
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

This is the worst possible time to raise prices on anything. Please consider how it will impact the poor.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Rust

[REDACTED]
Benson, AZ 85602-6810
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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It is interesting that these are the same people that say don't raise the our taxes, but we want an increase in rates, something doesn't work out here and on top of that there is more gas then they know what to with. Why is it that Corp. America can get a raise, but nobody else is suppose to??

Yous Truly, Ron
Van Nurden

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Van Nurden

[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85351-4016
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Priscilla Pezzati


Phoenix, AZ 85021-5643

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alden Guillory

Surprise, AZ 85374-2045

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Dear Paul Newman,

This is not the time to raise the average home gas bills that Southwest Gas is asking for. I live in a retirement community on a fixed income. There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. Food and gas prices have increased and other utilities are asking for increases also. The stock market just plunged and we are struggling to make ends meet. Many customers are out of work or just starting to get back on their feet. Don't penalize us at this time. Please keep this in mind as you make your decision. As an elected commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates. Please vote NO.

Thank you,
Sincerely,
Susan
Brinkley

Surprise, AZ 85374

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Susan Brinkley

Surprise, AZ 85374-6154

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

At 70, I still have to work and to have to give up another 14% of my income just to maintain, does not sit well. Find another way!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Gladys Lee

Phoenix, AZ 85050-3280

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you,

Sincerely,

Janice Lacotta
7664 S. Danforth Ave
Tucson, AZ. 85747

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Janice Lacotta
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85747-9237

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

There are many of us that are working and those that are not working that are struggling to make their monthly payments. This is a bad time for Southwest Gas to ask for an increase. They need to learn to cut back on their expenses like many companies around Arizona and the country. Arizonans' need all the help from ACC, that's why you were elected to watch out for companies not to go overboard in charging their customers. Please help us out.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Joe Urrea


Tucson, AZ 85746-3213

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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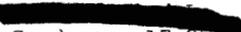
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lynn Cline


Goodyear, AZ 85395-2096

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gary Spaulding

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85741-1141
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Francine Shacter

Tucson, AZ 85718-6601

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Many of us in Arizona cannot afford any more increased costs at this time unless our fixed incomes also are increased!! Our elderly and/or disabled population are barely getting by as it is. Please reconsider the rate increase at another time when the economy has gotten much, much better, not now.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Christine Perry

Tucson, AZ 85716-2920

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

My retirement income is down significantly and there have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet and are living a lower standard of living. We don't have a free ride.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Freshley

Phoenix, AZ 85006-1836

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Linda Shannon


Scottsdale, AZ 85257-3801

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Living on fixed income doesn't allow much leeway for extra costs in our budget, we have not traveled to see friends and relatives in four years because of the economy and the higher prices and continually increasing cost of taxes on all utilities in this state and , county and city, we reside in Arizona .

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Tim Lofty

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85710-5763
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Ms. Karen Strokos

[REDACTED]
Chandler, AZ 85225-4759
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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I truly CANNOT AFFORD A HUGE HIKE IN UTILITY BILLS like the rate hike SWGas is proposing.

I am a disabled widow, 63 years old, & have been on disability since Dec. 2008, due to severe arthritis. I am also a breast cancer survivor. Within the last 3 years I have had 3 major surgeries (both knees replaced & breast cancer surgery), & am struggling to pay off the resulting medical bills which total in the thousands of dollars.

I am one of the thousands (maybe more) of Arizonans fighting hard to make ends meet. Often those ends do not meet & I get behind on my payments of the medical bills. I do apply for assistance with food as it is available. I have had to apply for assistance with utility bills 3 times since being approved for Disability.

I have often contemplated bankruptcy but really don't want to have to do that. I may have no choice.

Thousands of other Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. This also affects Disability payments, as they are calculated the same way; there have been no SS Disability COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. I have kept up my 12 year old Honda (93,000 miles & going strong) & owe no money on it. I carry no coverage for Collision or Comprehensive on my auto insurance. I do carry \$100K/\$300K Liability, as that seems to me to be the only responsible thing to do. I can't afford the Home Owner's Insurance, so have had to let that lapse temporarily.

I'm doing the best I can with what I have to work with, but my budget has NO LEEWAY WHATSOEVER!

Taking all of this together, I truly CANNOT AFFORD A HUGE HIKE IN UTILITY BILLS like the rate hike SWGas is proposing!

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Delight Watts-Bohle

[REDACTED]
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-8218

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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NO INCREASE.....

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kirke Rice

Tucson, AZ 85704-6410

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Erv Amdahl


Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-9325

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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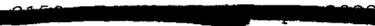
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Sincerely,

Ms. Celeste Elmore


Phoenix, AZ 85040-2559

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Natural gas rates just doubles a few years ago. We are all having to learn to do more with less. The working public can't just raise our prices when we have a shortfall - we have to cut back and be more efficient. This should apply to SW Gas and everyone else, as well.

SW Gas needs to turn off the lights when they leave the room. Turn off fans when no one is around. Turn off the water when washing their hands. Don't go out to eat. And do all the things everyone else is having to do to make ends meet. Keep the rates as they are!!!

*As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ralph Guariglio

Phoenix, AZ 85045-1822

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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It is unconscionable that this commission is even considering this mandate knowing that its Seniors, disabled, and unemployed are in dire need.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ivan Lopez
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85757-1644
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. BOB Winkler

[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85202-6436
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. William Moses

[REDACTED]
Chandler, AZ 85249-9676
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Shores

[REDACTED]
Tempe, AZ 85281-8728
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. robert burns

[REDACTED]
Florence, AZ 85132-6416

[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Wouldn't every business in the world flourish if they too could, "decouple," and not have their profits decrease should demand for natural decrease. WHERE IS THE INCENTIVE TO BE COMPETITIVE WHEN YOU HAVE NO RISK OF LOSING MONEY!

Please do this for people!

Respectfully,

David Johnstone

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. David Jonstone

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Phoenix, AZ 85021

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Frank Sowokinos

Tucson, AZ 85739-1307

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I think Southwest Gas needs an increase but, NOT 14 PERCENT!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Nutter

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85234-7791
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Do they really need to raise rates?

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jim Ault

[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85205-6333
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. lowell herbert

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Parker, AZ 85344-6249
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alberto Rivera

[REDACTED]
Casa Grande, AZ 85122-8077
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Karen Winemiller

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85015-2423
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Our property taxes are still going up just to keep up with schools & services. Our electric company already has issued an increase notice. The little money that people have saved either through savings, pensions, or even from the so called value of their homes all have been eroded just in the past few weeks. I know it cost money to receive services from the utility companies but with fixed incomes with no COLA in sight how can you justify an increase? Just go back through your records for the past year & look at how many people applied for LIHEAP which is a government program that we taxpayers pay for. So along with subsidizing customers from the gas company we are also being hit with an increase. So that means an even higher increase for paying customers. We have to tighten up our belts & so should everyone else.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Roland Picard

[REDACTED]
Pinetop, AZ 85935
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. john swiencicki


Oro Valley, AZ 85755-6682

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Miss Ruth Porchey

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85257-4815

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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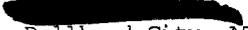
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. howard purtle


Bullhead City, AZ 86442-4781

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. M. Ghost Dancer Wene


Golden Valley, AZ 86413

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work, and those who can find work are getting less pay.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are going up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Janis Beaudette
578 [REDACTED]
Prescott, AZ 86303-6824

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Molly Noone


Chandler, AZ 85225-3426

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mary Stewart

[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85338-5429
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Dear Sandra Kennedy,
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Rate increase, electric, gas or water:

A sign of revenue erosion due increased investment and cost addressing customer growth. Certainly not the case in a reverse economy.

A sign of revenue erosion due to increased operational costs.
Inflationary costs.

A sign of revenue erosion due to individual collective conservation.
No reward here, just a penalty for customer efficiency.

A sign of revenue erosion due to inept financial management.
Shareholder issue.

A sign of revenue erosion due to regulation. ACC issue.

Just like participants in the stock market had to swallow depressed portfolio values, at what point do SWG shareholders share the burden of the things customers have no control over. Or reward them for conservation.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.
Sincerely,

Herbert Greasham

Scottsdale, AZ 85251

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Herbert Greasham

Scottsdale, AZ 85251-2128

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Kutz

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85024-3090
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Luis Valenzuela

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85009-3137
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lisanne Donohue


Chino Valley, AZ 86323-8667

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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A raise in the gas rates, at this time, will affect many Arizonans who are jobless and are on fixed incomes. I am a senior citizen on a fixed income that has not increased for two years despite the fact that cost of living has increased.

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Please VOTE NO on the SW Gas rate increase request.

Thanks,

Ethel Rocco
1707 E Deer Hollow Loop
Oro Valley, AZ 85737

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ethel Rocco
[REDACTED]
Oro Valley, AZ 85737-9188

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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KNOW IS NOT THE TIME, WE ARE BUYING LESS FOR OUR MONEY NOW.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. CHARLES THATCHER

Scottsdale, AZ 85255-5945

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
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For those of us with no defined retirement plans we've seen the value of our IRAs decrease significantly in the past weeks. Seeing an increase in a basic need is unthinkable.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ann Peterson

[REDACTED]
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5699
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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As a natural gas investor I am painfully aware that the price of natural gas has PLUMMETED in the past 2 years.

So how on Earth can SW Gas justify its dramatic price increase application?

Think I'm exaggerating? Please go to

<http://finance.yahoo.com/q/bc?s=UNG+Basic+Chart&t=2y>

UNG is the only ETF tracking the price of natural gas.
Or, this:<http://money.cnn.com/data/commodities/>

showing the price of natural gas has dropped nearly 10% the past 12 months.

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

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Sincerely,

Mr. RUDOLF DANKWORT


Phoenix, AZ 85021-5634

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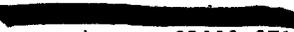
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Mrs. Minnie Hallowell


Phoenix, AZ 85033-3711

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Sincerely,

Mr. Jules Osher

[REDACTED]
Cottonwood, AZ 86326-8909
[REDACTED]

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In today's world of taxes, most if not all corporations DO NOT pay taxes because of legal tax credits and/or deductions. Please do NOT allow South West Gas(SWG) to increase their rates. SWG can afford to "eat" any raises in energy costs by lowering their profits and dividends paid out to shareholders. This will off set the taxes SWG is NOT paying because of legal loopholes and/or deductions while maintaining a stable environment at least for now for the families of Arizona.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Noel W. and Shirley Epke

[REDACTED]
Yuma, AZ 85365-2940
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. DAROLD HICKOX

[REDACTED]
Gold Canyon, AZ 85118-1910
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alfred Bolding


Gilbert, AZ 85296-4079

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Debi Bradley


Chandler, AZ 85286-6425

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Willie Skaggs

Surprise, AZ 85374-2025

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We consumers need to know the reason for the price increase and we have not received anything of the sort from Southwest Gas.

This is too big an increase all at once ! If there is good justification for an increase, at least make a series of small increases over several years.

We citizens expect you, as public servants, to listen to and respond to our needs, including lots of communication so that we have a good understanding of needed actions.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Moyer

[REDACTED]
Oro Valley, AZ 85755-7105
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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COMMON SENSE! YOU DON 'T RAISE RATES IN A RECESSION!!!

As an elected commissioner, don't grant this unreasonable request to raise our rates.

VOTE NO ON THE RATE INCREASE REQUEST!

Janet and Dick MUELLERLEILE
6956 E. Purple Shade Circle
Scottsdale, Arizona 85266

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Janet Muellerleile
[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85266-7036
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. thomas ofe


Bisbee, AZ 85603-1006

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sue Beverly

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85042-7954
[REDACTED]

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We are retired and on a fixed income.
Please vote no on South West Gas rate increase.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Viki jacobson
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85712-2302

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Clark


Prescott, AZ 86305-6430

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Connie Canaday


Phoenix, AZ 85016-7430

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A 14% increase in billing is unreasonable ---too, too much. There has been no COLA in my pension for 5 years, nor in SS for 2. It is understandable that an increase may be needed, but PLEASE know that it's nice to be able to keep our homes a comfortable temperature. The 14% may seem insignificant to some, but for those who may face having to lower the thermostat --- It's not!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

* Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Hazel Reynolds

[REDACTED]
Kingman, AZ 86409-7712
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Faye

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85019-1848
[REDACTED]

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We are already suffering here, with our economy.

Please give Arizona a break, to get back on our feet!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Donna Thies

Coolidge, AZ 85128-9256

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I am 75 years old and cannot afford a utility increase. What do I give up to pay it? There is nothing left over at the end of the month now.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Valorie Gardner


Lake Havasu City, AZ 86406-6266

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When I moved to AZ heat was not my highest bill but after a couple of years it became the highest and has remained so. The time is not here to raise cost not only on gas heat but on everything.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Margaret Smith
[REDACTED]
Oracle, AZ 85623-5537

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We, the homeowners should not pay for problems we did not create.

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jean McCurdy

Surprise, AZ 85387-7521

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You people need to tighten your belts like the rest of us.

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Domingos

[REDACTED]
Yuma, AZ 85364-4374
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Mr. William Lynen


Mesa, AZ 85208-3159

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Sincerely,

Mr. alan pedolsky

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85741-3405
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Laura Sorenson-Ashenden


Tempe, AZ 85282-4206

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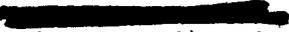
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Ms. Carol Stone


Lake Havasu City, AZ 86406-4534

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Mr. Malcolm Rafferty


Prescott, AZ 86305

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Sincerely,

Mr. Larry Petty

Tempe, AZ 85282-4309

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A Fixed income barely covers my utilities at the level they are presently, \$75 may not be much to some, however, it will hurt me as many others in the same position. Please give due diligence in your consideration of the many subscribers.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. mary anderson

Phoenix, AZ 85032-3257

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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The cost of gas from Southwest Gas already runs about \$20/month before we use any volume of gas. This already represents an annual cost of about \$240 just to have service, with NO incentive to conserve on fuel use. This charge for non-use of gas is already a counterproductive burden on rate payers, which would become higher under the requested rate change.

Do not allow any increase in gas rates unless they are meaningfully tied to conservation efforts, such as are in effect for electric rates. Paying higher monthly rates for little or no gas usage is not good energy policy, not good for ratepayers, does not reward the utility for any actual services provided, and prevents people from managing their energy costs.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. There is currently adequate natural gas in the US. this increase does not serve to keep Southwest Gas healthy and is not necessary to position them for future service.

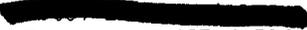
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Norton Johnson


Tucson, AZ 85747-5961

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Linda Brockwell

[REDACTED]
Wickenburg, AZ 85390-3577
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Samson


Surprise, AZ 85374-7305

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kathryn Profera


Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403-5155

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Most of us are retired on a fixed income that is getting smaller by the day!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Myrna Uditsky

Mesa, AZ 85213-8715

Aug 8, 2011

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Leota Menconi

[REDACTED]
Marana, AZ 85658-4703
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. theresa brabenec

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85715-5606
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Yerian
[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85298-5329
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Paul Suckling, Jr


Phoenix, AZ 85051-3233

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Julia Chamberlain

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85719-2848
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work. Having money to pay higher, much higher gas bills will be impossible. People will lose their gas supplies during the winter.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Patricia Orlinski

[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85351-2246
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Verhow
1802 W. Maryland Ave
Phoenix, AZ 85015-1750

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

With a still high unemployment rate, and few jobs available, every penny counts.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Teddy Gingerich

Scottsdale, AZ 85254-2458

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marcia Salomon

[REDACTED]
Nogales, AZ 85621-2240
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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When I get 14% more in my pension, I will be happy to spend more on gas & other things! Of all the lunacy!! I would hope you do even give this the slightest consideration. It's called "shared sacrifice" by my Republican legislators.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Yeager


Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-1971

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sondra Sly


Surprise, AZ 85374-6288


Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Have you not heard we are in a double dip recession?

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Stop this insanity.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. William Nist


Cottonwood, AZ 86326-7371

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Kelley ,Sr

[REDACTED]
Sierra Vista, AZ 85636-1115
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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My wife works for ADOT and has not has a raise for a long time, yet her insurance premiums (Dental, Life, Medical), and retirement deductions keep going up. We make less money now than we did 6 years ago, and Southwest Gas wants to raise our rates. I say not only no, but HELL NO.

Also, it is obsurd for Southwest Gas to still be paid the same even if we use less gas. Could you please stop this rate hike or fix it so my wife can miss days of work and also still be paid the same.

Sincerely,

Alan C. Gillespie

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alan Gillespie

Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-4013

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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In these financially difficult times, another strain on a home would be more than a family budget could take.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carol Cain

Clarkdale, AZ 86324-0193

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Barbara Thompson


Phoenix, AZ 85003-1220

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. martin robbins

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85021-2986

[REDACTED]
(602) 236-2700

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I cannot afford any more increases. I use lees and keep a cold house in the winter already

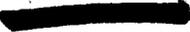
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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. sandra trampp


Claypool, AZ 85532-0944

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. s francke

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85251-5467

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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DO NOT MAKE THIS EXTREME KIND OF AN INCREASE!!!

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Nielson

[REDACTED]
Sun City West, AZ 85375-4526
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ned Wyeth

[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85373-5470
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Natarajan Raman

[REDACTED]
Sahuarita, AZ 85629-8084
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Lawrence Callahan
[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85040-2342

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Gas reserves are high, so what is the need to raise our rates now, with the nation facing a double dip (if not worse) recession and markets plunging. It is without consciousness to contemplate an increase now. Please NOT NOW. Thank Frank Pilmar

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Frank Pilmar

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85718-2634
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I, personally, would have a difficult time paying such a bill.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Linda Eckhardt


Phoenix, AZ 85018-4214

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Considering the economic crisis that we all face today, this is not a time to raise the cost of any form of energy. Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Warren Lewis


Chandler, AZ 85226-2141

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jerald Triska
[REDACTED]
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-8615
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lilia Holguin


Phoenix, AZ 85044-4021

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Roosevelt Gaysue


Glendale, AZ 85308-7073

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Smith

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85013-2320
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Please consider very carefully the effect of the Southwest Gas request for a rate increase of 14% as well as the idea not to let their revenue does not decline if we use less gas.

Heating, cooling, and cooking food are basic necessities. People such as ourselves make serious efforts to make the best use we can of gas and try not to waste. Since our income is falling each year and costs are increasing, we hope you will do your best to be reasonable.

Even as stockholders in Southwest Gas we object to this request as unreasonable and unrealistic in these times.

Thank you for your consideration.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Judith Mobasseri

Tucson, AZ 85750-2629

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Patricia Lorette


Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-6148

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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14% IS WAY TOO MUCH

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. LINDA RUNYAN

Phoenix, AZ 85016-7905

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. richard gates

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85719-8802
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. That includes me. Please don't let them do this!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Candace Moriconi

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85745-2567
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. TOM CORTEZ

[REDACTED]
Sahuarita, AZ 85629-8892
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

The reality is that children, and adults will have *no way* of paying for these increases. Being the cause of more suffering is not your mission or theirs. Families can't make ends meet today as it is. Please don't make it any worse for a state that is hurting so badly already.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sonya Montoya

[REDACTED]
Flagstaff, AZ 86004-2013
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
Many of us are on such a tight budget and the ones that are low income are going to have a hard time paying for gas, what's going to happen to them.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marlis Wearing

Surprise, AZ 85379-5026

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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with seniors struggling to meet their utility, food and housing expenses this is not the time of added gas rates.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sandy Beitel

Yuma, AZ 85365-3548

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Glen Weissman

[REDACTED]
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426-6107
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. NORMA JEANNE WEST

Scottsdale, AZ 85257-1308

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Merlino

[REDACTED]
Peoria, AZ 85383-2841
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Dorothea Reinert

[REDACTED]
Peoria, AZ 85382-0999
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Silver


Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-8226

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Anita Flagg

Tucson, AZ 85749-9047

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. patricia CALZINI
[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85205-3766
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Susan Weinman

[REDACTED]
Glendale, AZ 85308-8936

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work. Two years of no Social Security COLA increases. Food and gas prices are sky high, and I can almost guarantee you that raising gas prices during the coming winter will result in elderly people freezing or starving to death because they can't afford both.

Have a heart. You can make a smaller profit to save lives, really.

Margaret Macartney

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Margaret Macartney

[REDACTED]
Bisbee, AZ 85603-1433

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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I am lucky enough to still have my job in this rough economy but I have not had a raise in over four years. I am not complaining because I realize times are tough and I believe my employer will share the wealth as economic conditions improve.

Many in Arizona are not so lucky and Southwest Gas request to raise gas rates by so much is unconscionable. Please consider NOT allowing a raise in gas rates at this time.

Thank you.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marla Lowell

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85712-4220

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Commissioner Bob Stump:

Please do what you can to stop them from raising our natural gas rates in Arizona. We are in bad shape financially because of the extra hot summer this year demanding us to run our air conditioner.

We have only the income from our Social Security (which has not gone up for two and one-half years). I am 74 years old, and cannot work due to my health.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for more than two years.

The cost of food and gasoline have strained our income really bad. We are having trouble being able to make it to the end of the month, and we know that many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet just as we are.

Eugene Holtz and Audrey Smith (married)

(Please do what you can to help us survive).

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bob Stump

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Yuma, AZ 85364-0907
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Barry Gillick

[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85373-3393
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. June Lundy

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Phoenix, AZ 85007-1407
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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Chris StJohn

[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85210-9306
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Larry Borden


Glendale, AZ 85308-6164

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I'am a Disabled Vet and am barely making my bills now . Please don't raise my rates and take more food off my table.

Steve Bellia
3549 W. Mango Dr.
Tucson, AZ. 85741

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Steve Bellia
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85741-2836

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Elizabeth Dell


Phoenix, AZ 85032-6528

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sandra Russell

[REDACTED]
Apache Junction, AZ 85120-9520
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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In this economic enviroment, it is incredible that SW Gas is asking for a rate hike. But then , they have a monopoly and you are our only buffer between us and unfair rate increases. We haven't gotten raises for 2 years but gas and oil keep going up. It's a pure case of greed. Please don't allow it to happen.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Dennis Lehner

[REDACTED]
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5742
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Maureen McGee

Flagstaff, AZ 86004-5291

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.
This utility increase will be a tough burden for seniors living on fixed incomes. Our bills are already very high with the terribly hot summers. Wait until the economy improves before adding to our monthly costs.

Thanks for your careful consideration.
There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marilyn Freeouf

Tucson, AZ 85730-5635

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Ratliff

Tucson, AZ 85756-9725

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I am seriously considering apply for an EBT card!

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Rjoberta Wise

Phoenix, AZ 85028-1102

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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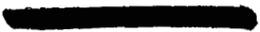
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Sincerely,

Ms. winetta stuart


Kingman, AZ 86409-2222

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Alexandra Soto

Tucson, AZ 85715-5710

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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i am a 75 year old retiree on a fixed income. i looked at my i.r.a. this morning ,and was shocked to see i have lost \$ 4.000.00 because of tha past wrangling in our government over the debt ceiling debacle. i have not had a cost of living increase from the social security in two years. the cost of gasoline and food are increasing. i cant afford any more increases in anything now. now is not the time to ask for more money.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. daniel peoples

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85295-9050

[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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My wife and I are retired and on a limited income. We haven't had any increase in our retirement income for the last two years. We both have experienced health issues but our health insurance premiums have increased. At sometime we are going to have to make somehard decisions on what is important, health care including prescibtions, food and how do we cover the increases such as paying for heating. Please consider this when you make the decision.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Bagley
0522 [REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85209
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Potts


Apache Junction, AZ 85120-1752

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many have lost their homes.

There is no hope for those of us entering the working world to ever own a home. We are losing faith.

Please vote NO. We pay enough for gas already.

Thank you!

Carla P. Roberts

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85747

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. C Roberts

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85747-5001
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. betty schuessler
[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85719-5104

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Murphy

[REDACTED]
Optional e.g., apartment, suite or unit number
Surprise, AZ 85374
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Anita Samaniego

Carefree, AZ 85377

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Find another way to make ends meet. We have to.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Eileen Greiss

Sun City West, AZ 85375-4919

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Patrick Nicholson

[REDACTED]
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86406-7380
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kathleen Buonocore

575 [REDACTED]
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-3128

Aug 8, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rex Butler


Phoenix, AZ 85016-8907

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Mr. Carl Shoaff


Flagstaff, AZ 86001-3687

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Mr. Roger Ruehmkorff


Mesa, AZ 85209-3608

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Miss Edna Schneider

Mesa, AZ 85208-2059

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Sincerely,

Ms. Marta DeLeon

Tucson, AZ 85710-5432

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carol Payant

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85298-4635
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. MaryKay Cooper

~~548~~
Tucson, AZ 85704-1770

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. richard wentworth


Gilbert, AZ 85298-4654


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If the corporations are allowed all these increases, those of us that are middle income and living on social security, will be reduced to being low income. We have worked all these years to have the "American" way life. Don't take that away from us.

We did not get a SS raise in order to help this nation's economic crisis, so let the corporations do their share.
NO RAISES, PLEASE!!!!

Ruth Castaldo

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Ruth Castaldo

Surprise, AZ 85374

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Raymond Valliere

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85298-4634
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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This is not the time to raise gas prices.

Thank You,

John A. Russo
4219 E Nightingale Lane
Gilbert, Az 85298

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Russo


Gilbert, AZ 85298-2709


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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kenneth Michael Buvala
[REDACTED]
Avondale, AZ 85392-5843

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Maxwell Warner

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85719-2859

[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I am a U.S. government employee and I am not getting a raise for at least the next two years. Raising my rates is the same as cutting my pay.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Dominy
[REDACTED]
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-8915
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. JOE MERRILL

Surprise, AZ 85374-8520

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

This means intentional less gas useage for appliances, furnace, no pool heaters running, etc. on our part and many others that could offset the cost of gas increases of this size.

We'll look for ways to keep our bills the same so in the end we'll offset the increase by boycotting it with less-use. Is that what delivery of public services must come to?

What has the untility done to cut their costs of delivery and how much does top and mid level mangement make compared to their average customer income?

Maybe they should live like average people to get a reality check on the real world right now. Could they afford this increase on what they would make living on an average middle class wage or worse? How about their own employees who do? Can they afford this?

Thank you for protecting the public trust and not granting this double digit increase.

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Cleary's
5333 N 191st Drive
Litchfield Park, AZ 85340

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Tim Cleary
[REDACTED]
Litchfield Park, AZ 85340-5736
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pat Kalmoe

Phoenix, AZ 85023-1228

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In my opinion the rate is too high now. I can not see how they can justify a rate increase in these times. I have not worked in a year and a half and I am sure they are alot of other people in the same boat .

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Howard

~~1200 W. Washington Ave~~
Goodyear, AZ 85338-1994

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gail Harrison

Mesa, AZ 85208-2483

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sara Fisch

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85260-3879

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Patricia Pannell
[REDACTED]
Avondale, AZ 85392-7083
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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It is so hard to make ends meet, yet we hear that our "leaders" and "big businesses" continue to spend and give huge raises. Not fair to the general public that makes is struggling. I hate to think I would have to lower my heating thermostat even more. In the winter it is set at 60night/67 day and that is cold, but to lower it more is hard to imagine. If costs go up how are SS folks suppose to manage?

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Do NOT raise our gas bills!

A registered voter,
Norma Corson

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Norma Corson


Kingman, AZ 86401-7819

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As a retired couple that has endured the lack of good judgement and leadership by our Federal Gov. for the last 11 years-please do not act like them. DO NOT RAISE RATES!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gary E. Buckingham

[REDACTED]
Surprise, AZ 85379-5729
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Mr. Carrie Devieux

[REDACTED]
Chandler, AZ 85248-4316
[REDACTED]

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Mr. Theo Whitbeck

[REDACTED]
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-1929
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Ms. Barbara Wayne

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85718-6904
[REDACTED]

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Seniors are struggling financially enough!! Please don't add to it!!

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Joseph Fitzgerald

[REDACTED]
Sun City, AZ 85351-4156

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Stop this unnecessary rate hike now!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bob Bianca

Glendale, AZ 85308-7687

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I beg you please do not hurt the sers that will be affected by the increase. There is a finite amount of money for folks to spend and it just isn't possible without other help to keep accelerating the cost of everything including gas.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Janice Hernandez

[REDACTED]
Show Low, AZ 85901-2755
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ed Guilford

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85712-1364

[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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Living on a fixed income makes this amount of money seem
overwhelming. Please do not raise our rates.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas
request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sylvia Stevens

Mesa, AZ 85207-1090

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.
WE already pay too much for gas.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. mark hanson


Payson, AZ 85547-0548

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas Connor

[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85338-3373

[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Muthu Kumar

Tucson, AZ 85732-2536

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Lewis Long

Phoenix, AZ 85013-2002

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Peter Gherardini

[REDACTED]
Gilbert, AZ 85234-8141
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Patricia Rogers

[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85395-8886

[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are *struggling to make ends meet*.

Please reconsider this rash decision. This is NOT the time to be increasing your rate.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Robin Flack


Phoenix, AZ 85050-6936

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Johnson


Scottsdale, AZ 85250-6257

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Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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I am retired and have been so for more than 3 years. In those three years, I have received no raise, COLA or anything similar. I don't have significant investments to fall back on. So, just as I have to learn to make do, Southwest Gas also should.

In addition, thousands of Arizonans are out of work. The costs of food and gasoline have noticeably increased. Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet period. The same should apply to Southwest Gas.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Timothy Frey

Phoenix, AZ 85012-1255

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Arizona Unemployment is at 9 + % and we just can't take anymore increases.

Thank you for your consideration,

Thomas F. Smith

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas Smith


Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-4264

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gordon Osse


Cottonwood, AZ 86326-6339

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kathleen Hether

[REDACTED]
Show Low, AZ 85901-5423

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Patricia Gorecki

[REDACTED]
Huachuca City, AZ 85616-9768

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linnea Lorenz

Glendale, AZ 85304-1127

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Leonard Saari

[REDACTED]
Sun City West, AZ 85375-3822

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Patricia Kohlschreiber
[REDACTED]
Green Valley, AZ 85614-4203

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Hulslander


Maricopa, AZ 85138-2496

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Beverly Cameron


Tucson, AZ 85704-0949

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Peter D Relyea

[REDACTED]
Sun Lakes, AZ 85248-6420
[REDACTED]

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It is ridiculous, and immoral to cause thousands of consumers to lose a minimum standard of living.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Lance Stevens


Surprise, AZ 85388-1379

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marie Farren

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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I am a disabled vet and I am on a fixed income,

I only have my railroad retirement and my VA disability pay that I get once a month.

I have not received a COLA increase in 2 years. And it looks like 2012 doesn't look so good either!

Please do not raise the rates right now.

Thank you for your time.

Gerardo N. Lopez
887 San Juan Cir.
Bullhead City, AZ. 86442-5606

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gerardo Lopez
[REDACTED]
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-5606
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Also, Social Security has not increased for two years. These are tough times.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Chambers

Tucson, AZ 85716-1838

Aug 8, 2011

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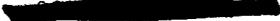
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. David Kell


Phoenix, AZ 85018-1426

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. RICHARD WARD

Phoenix, AZ 85023-5267

Aug 8, 2011

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gerald Atterbury

Avondale, AZ 85323-8439

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Tommy Berggren

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Chandler, AZ 85246-6734

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mary McQuaid


Goodyear, AZ 85395-1857

Aug 8, 2011

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Roger Peacock

[REDACTED]
Prescott, AZ 86305-6740
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ernest Bryant


Peoria, AZ 85383-9681

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Personally we are drowning in medical bills, had to file bankruptcy, due to my wife having breast cancer last year and ...well, IT IS JUST OVERWHELMING to even imagine being charged more for anything right now. PLEASE do not increase utilities now. You are killing the middle class and poor!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. W.C. Durnil

[REDACTED]
Chino Valley, AZ 86323-3407
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. Living on a fixed income is trying enough without trying to figure out how we are going to cook, keep our home warm in winter, have hot water. Trying to pay our bills is trying enough without a rate increase this high. I realize things cost more today, but I think being reasonable and sensible would be a better way to go for Southwest Gas in asking for a rate increase. A MUCH SMALLER increase if they definitely have to have a rate increase.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. Everything costs more today. But if people can't pay the bills they have, They won't have any money anyway, so what does Southwest plan to do, if that is the case and they have no money coming in to their company?

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. You need to realize that most people today are totally disgusted with anyone in public office and are going to be very strong in our demands now. You are people who also pay your bills, eat, try to stay warm and just live in general. You need to look at what is good for everyone, NOT just Southwest Gas.

Donna L. Rapp

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donna L. Rapp

Phoenix, AZ 85029-2616

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Why not wait till we get the economy in better shape!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Susan Anderson
[REDACTED]
Mesa, AZ 85204-2703
[REDACTED]

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Gas increases take money out of the economy and unfairly hurt middle and especially low income consumers.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Albert Sterman

Tucson, AZ 85716-5201

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

I am retired and have not seen a cost of living increase in two years. The rate increase being requested by SW Gas is more than anything close to inflation.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. William Jones

Tucson, AZ 85710-2522

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Charlotte Jacobson
[REDACTED]
Prescott, AZ 86303-6474

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Sincerely,

Ms. Marty Lage

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85251-1150
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bob Montalbano

[REDACTED]
Goodyear, AZ 85395-2074
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

We seniors that are trying to live on a fixed income can not afford any increases in any of our utilities.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas Goodrich

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85746-5006
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I am REALLY DISGUSTED WITH ALL THE CORPORATE AND SO-CALLED ADMINISTRATORS CONTINUING TO RAISE OUR RATES ON EVERYTHING !!!

NO ONE IS RAISING ANY REVENUES THAT ARE COMING INTO MY LIFE !!!

Julia Huston
Phoenix ---- I am a voter !!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Julia Huston

Phoenix, AZ 85021-7804

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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WE need to know that SW Gas has due delignets in cleaning up their own business - What studies do they have in the number of people to sales, cost of salaries to sales. etc,

I hope they are not like APS that have \$130,000 linemen out doing tree trimming, so they could keep them on the the payroll and rtaise our rates. Must be nice to be in a const plus business!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you
Tim O'Malley
80 W. State Ave.
Phoenix 85021-8752

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Tim O'Malley
[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85021-8752

Aug 9, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. Many have not received a cost of living increase in years. The cost of food, medical care, housing, school, child care and gasoline are way up. Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

In a time when Americans have watched the government repeatedly "forgive" corporate stupidity and have failed to hold big businesses accountable for their blatant practices, there are many who are now questioning the integrity of both government and politicians. To allow Southwest Gas to once again raise its rates is just one more confirmation that government and big business are corrupt and in collusion. America is already unaffordable for many of her citizens. How long before the riots begin here?

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Laura Healy

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85016-4682

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Gail Griffin

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85032-2388
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Arakalgud Ramamurthy


Surprise, AZ 85374-8548

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Saliene Anderssen

Tucson, AZ 85743-9353

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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We Seniors need food, housing and medicine to sustain a basic quality of life. Do not deprive us by raising SW Gas hikes!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. lisa hornung


Tucson, AZ 85713-1052

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. ken krueger


Phoenix, AZ 85032-3014

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I do not use Natral gas. but I did when I lived in Colorado, It was public services and than and now is black hills energy, the way things are now I do not think any one should be raiseing prices, I would like to see the Government regulate nat gas, gasolline, oil, and other food commoditys like they used to do.

Clarence W. Prater
637 E 9 th Ave
Apache Junction AZ
85119

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. clarence prater

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Apache Junction, AZ 85119-3208
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Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Now, we have the great market crash and whatever savings we have are shrinking fast.

The top management (CEO, CFO, lawyers, etc) need to cut their salaries in times of crisis....has this been done?

What is it that these corporations don't understand? They don't want to pay more taxes, well, we don't need higher energy costs if we are to pay our taxes.....sales tax, property tax, income tax, use tax, and on and on.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jeanette Stilson

[REDACTED]
Cottonwood, AZ 86326-5926

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Chrstitine Clemente

[REDACTED]
El Mirage, AZ 85335-6272
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU PEOPLE? MY INCOME HAS NOT WENT UP. YOUR'S MAY
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Cynthia Ruth Butler

Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-7210

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Are you kidding me.?????

With the way things are going, your timing could not be worse.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gerald Abbott

Apache Junction, AZ 85119-3102

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

We cannot afford to stay here with all of the increases.

The cost of everything is going up, the only exception

to that is my retirement check. It has not increased

in a couple of years!

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Walter Pavlik

[REDACTED]
Marana, AZ 85658-4719

[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and I am one of them!

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

In addition I am raising my granddaughter, and cannot afford an increase in my expenses.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Patricia Reed

[REDACTED]
Glendale, AZ 85311-0654
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Charles Nolan
[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85029-1516

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Carter


Mesa, AZ 85212

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Charlotte Baker

[REDACTED]
Winslow, AZ 86047-2027
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. irene zappia
[REDACTED]
tucson, AZ 85739

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas Jenner


Lake Havasu City, AZ 86406-8208

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. Our medical expenses continue to increase. Our electric rate (SRP) has been increased.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I believe it is your job to look out for the interests of Arizona taxpayers. Please do your job.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jon Wilson

Chandler, AZ 85249-7175

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Seidl

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-8831

[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ludwig Martherus

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Gilbert, AZ 85295-4851
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Jones

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85742-8108
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. linda tarantal

Tucson, AZ 85711-3205

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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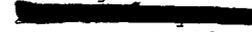
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Regina Wucinich


Prescott, AZ 86301-5351

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Steven Utter

[REDACTED]
Tucson, AZ 85741-2987

[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Love


Tucson, AZ 85718-3426

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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I am a State of Arizona employee and a public school teacher. I have not seen a pay raise from the State of Arizona (I'm a State employee at an Agency that serves Deaf and Blind students) since 2006, nor have I had a COLA or movement on my pay scale (for experience) in over 8 years! I certainly have made enough sacrifices along the way to assist in our economy. SW Gas has made profits throughout this time, when I have not. It's harder and harder to make ends meet and I work two jobs as a middle class person (averaging over 55 hour work weeks). I'm not happy that this corporation is looking to make more profits on the backs of the people who can least afford them.

This is the worst time to consider raising rates for your customers.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Judy Robbins

[REDACTED]
Phoenix, AZ 85029-2636
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Frank Hofmann


Surprise, AZ 85387-6417

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Gloria Cuevasbarnet

Phoenix, AZ 85032-9327

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Southwest Gas is asking for a rate increase which would raise average home gas bills almost \$75 a year.

Now is not the time to raise gas rates nearly \$75.

A similar increase many years ago led to the recall of the entire City Council of Tucson.

Your charge is not to protect bad decisions of businesses under your review.

As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Dan Tokar

[REDACTED]
Prescott, AZ 86301-5737
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Brenda Laskoskie

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85254-1460
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Margaret Dottie

[REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85266-8857
[REDACTED]

**Consumer
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