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Aug 8, 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. Donna Andersem

[REDACTED]  
Litchfield Park, AZ 85340-5144

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Let them wait till Arizona workers get jobs and increases in pay before giving the rich a pay raise! Too many people can barely afford today's cost to keep cool in the heat, much have to be burdened with having it increased.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Collis

Phoenix, AZ 85017-2126

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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As a retiree, I need small changes to my bills, not 14% jumps.

Natural Gas companies, their association ads say, is plentiful, so what justifies such an increase?

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Taffy Pettit

[REDACTED]  
Prescott, AZ 86301-5737  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jeanne Baggs

[REDACTED]  
Sedona, AZ 86351-7947

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds

[REDACTED]  
Glendale, AZ 85306-2030  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Paul Suckling

  
Buckeye, AZ 85326-3946

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Phillip Gentile

████████████████████  
Prescott, AZ 86303-5304

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Susan Valdez

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85713-2227

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Sincerely,

Mr. julio carrello

  
Bisbee, AZ 85603-1608

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Ms. Rita Guthrie

  
Peoria, AZ 85345-7180

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Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Roessler

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85266-7391  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Ms. Grace Desena

Scottsdale, AZ 85251-5706

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Sincerely,

Mr. George Wagner

[REDACTED]  
Yuma, AZ 85364-0906  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Lola Faye Cassity

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85712-5011  
[REDACTED]

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. We live on a budgeted income and an increase at this time will make it harder to meet all needs.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. We even are cutting back on food and necessary trips to only those that need to be traveled.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Thank you.  
Jonelle Vargo

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Jonelle Vargo  
[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5493  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Mr. scott rogers

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-1811  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Mr. Ben Sanders

  
Casa Grande, AZ 85194-8549

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Why is a 14% raise being requested? A smaller raise, such as 5% would be reasonable; 5% in another 5 years--but not all at once.

It seems that the utilities ask for some pie-in-the-sky amount hoping to be approved for half the original offer. Have they shown that their costs are up 14% or their profit is down 14%--I bet NOT!

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Linda Stratman

Surprise, AZ 85374-8929

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Sincerely,

Mr. John Minter

[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85374-6143  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Ms. Bettye Lukenbill

[REDACTED]  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-5408  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Ms. Susan Mueller

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85704-5125

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I am retired military. My retirement pay is indexed to correspond to the Cost of Living and the Cost of Living Index has not budged in two years.

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work, yet their income remains zero or too small to support them and their families. You may have noted the many homeless people in this state, not just in Phoenix.

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

The cost of food is rising continually, and gasoline prices, which were sky high, will soon resume their climb..

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

This is not the time to "Stick it to those less fortunate".

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Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Holmes

Phoenix, AZ 85015-3803

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Sincerely,

Mr. Harry Peck

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Tumacacori, AZ 85640-0183

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Sincerely,

Mr. Angel Rodriguez

  
Glendale, AZ 85301-6240

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Sarah Brecher  
11260 N 92nd St, #1044  
Scottsdale, AZ 85260

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sarah Brecher

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85260-6168  
[REDACTED]

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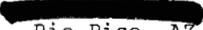
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Mrs. Sharon Melendez

  
Rio Rico, AZ 85648-3646

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jennifer Page

Peoria, AZ 85382-5164

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I will monitor the vote and if you vote for the proposed increase in Southwest Gas' rates I will start a grass roots movement to ensure that when your are up for reelection you are not successful. I have been successful in organizing such groups in the past and, while I considered myself retired from such endeavors, I consider this an issue well worth fighting 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,

Mrs. Norma Ciotczyk

  
Goodyear, AZ 85338-6120

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Amazing, where will it end.

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gary Stinson

[REDACTED]  
Queen Creek, AZ 85142-6883  
[REDACTED]

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It is time our service companies start feeling the same problems the American consumer feels and begin to find ways to cut their expenses rather than just continue to pass on cost increases to their customers. If they don't they will surely find fewer and fewer customers for their services.

If their customers cannot afford ytheir services they will not continue to have a business. They need to make sacrifices just as their customers have.

YOU NEED TO STOP RATE INCREASES UNTIL OUR ECONOMY HAS MADE SOME RECOVERY. ANOTHER RATE INCREASE IS THE FIRST STEP TO TOTAL COLLAPSE OF OUR 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,

Mrs. Gloria Umphress

  
Avondale, AZ 85392-6392

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Deborah Friedman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Oro Valley, AZ 85737-5971

[REDACTED]

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I have had no Social Security COLA increases for two years.  
How do you expect us to survive if everything keeps going up and our Social Security doesn't? Or is it that you just don't care about the people of Arizona

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

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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,

Mr. Joseph Carolan

  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-8714

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The rates have been bumped up and bumped up to the point that all these Adjuster and base rates cost more than the gas itself. It is not fair that in a month where NO GAS OR ELECTRICITY IS USED and still have a bill of approximately \$100--cut the shenanigans---My utility bill now Equals 27% of my monthly income. You are killing 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,

Ms. Colleen Broderick

Safford, AZ 85546-7753

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How many times will the consumer be squeezed?

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Gail Kushner

Tucson, AZ 85739-9411

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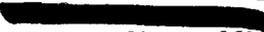
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Mrs. Judith Braudy

  
Flagstaff, AZ 86004-9528

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Any increase in the cost of living is unacceptable. If we the people do not get raises, neither should private corporations. We are cutting down on our expenses and do not live according to what our country should offer, yet powerful corporations are not made to adjust as well. They must also sacrifice their income.

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. BENJAMIN SERPAS

Sun City West, AZ 85375-6882

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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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

The stock market is crashing affecting particularly those on fixed income....pull in your belt!! Not ours!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. herbert winograd

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-6609  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lorene Winston

  
Sedona, AZ 86351-7919

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Sincerely,

Mr. Wayne Twitchell

  
Higley, AZ 85236-0437

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We are very conservative, no heat in winter and H water set at lowest.

We can not pay more and no other way to reduce consumption.

We live in area that is mostly seniors, all doing the same.

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marian Jones

[REDACTED]  
Marana, AZ 85653-9218  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Sincerely,

Mr. William Horler

  
Rimrock, AZ 86335-5744

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jeff Bauer

[REDACTED]  
Mesa, AZ 85212-1558  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Fouke

[REDACTED]  
Oro Valley, AZ 85755-5881  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The State has cut many services such as AFDC, Food Stamps and AHCCCS.  
The State cut services for the Mentally Ill.

Why on earth should the cost of gas and electricity go up.

We cannot afford 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,

Ms. Donna Mercier

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-1617  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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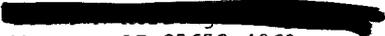
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jeanne Strickland

  
Marana, AZ 85658-4069

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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. Ramona Vigna

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-4759  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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We have recently had a water and sewer rate increase and will have a very difficult time adding a gas increase. We have not had a increase in Social Security in over two years.

Thank you.  
Richard 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,

Mr. Richard Miller

[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5270  
[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. Manuel Leifeer

  
Phoenix, AZ 85020-5016

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.

Your corporation must share with sacrifices that poor and middle class are making to float corporate and wealthy greed.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Andrew Feola

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85250-6803

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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What little we had set aside for "a rainy day" evaporated today on the market.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Lou Rankin

Green Valley, AZ 85614-4046

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. Daniel Vallero

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85705-7255  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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I am very concerned about the proposed increase requested by S.W. Gas. As you no doubt are aware, the cost of natural gas has been in a steep decline for several years. If anything our gas rates should be going down.

With Thousands of Arizonans are out of work, you need to think long and hard about allowing any increase. Especially since older and disabled Arizonans have seen no Social Security COLA increases for two years and are already struggling to make ends meet.

I fully expect you to do the right thing in this situation and vote no to this outrageous request.

Sincerely,

Kerry Szymanski

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Kerry Szymanski

[REDACTED]  
Oro Valley, AZ 85737-7222  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Retired persons loosing thousands in the stock/bond markets.

Our US Congress not caring what happens to the American Public, Please don't YOU start down this path, TOO

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Kevin Bacon

  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5572

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. Lorenzo Abalos

  
Tucson, AZ 85745-1372

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Teena Cross

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85712-4038

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Roger Henry

[REDACTED]  
Oro Valley, AZ 85737-7353

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Please dont let them raise the hidden charges also .. besides the rate the extra charges are brutal

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Stanley lequin

  
Phoenix, AZ 85044-1923

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Joyce Green

[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5548  
[REDACTED]

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Mrs. Almut Scott

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85743-5303

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bruno Messmer

Tucson, AZ 85750-9659

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. I believe that Southwest Gas should find other to decrease cost.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Ryan

  
Gilbert, AZ 85297-9564

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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While I support the efforts of private industry to profit from corporate endeavors, I am also concerned for the effect a utility rate increase at this time might have on the well being of low and moderate income consumers.

Should the economy improve to the extent that Social Security and other fixed income resources increase, or are not threatened, reconsideration of the rate increase request would be appropriate.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Jamka

[REDACTED]  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-9304  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Maryann Cuddeback

  
Tucson, AZ 85711-4343

Aug 8, 2011

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

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We live on fix income and there has been no Social Security Cola increase for the last two years. Also the cost of food and gasoline has really increase this making it hard on the thousand out of work and struggling to make end meet. They are making enough profit 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. CHESTER WIREMAN

[REDACTED]  
Kingman, AZ 86409-1743  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Sincerely,

Ms. JoAnne Yannatell

[REDACTED]  
Maricopa, AZ 85138-3989  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Bobbi Gray

  
Prescott, AZ 86301-6562

Aug 8, 2011

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Richard T sutton

Chandler, AZ 85226-4537

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 Northrup

[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5998  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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I, as well as many of my senior friends and neighbors have done everything that we can to reduce our utility expenses and our carbon footprint. However, it seems that the harder we try the further behind we get. If we succeed in reducing our usage and our bill, then the utilities request an increase in their rates. I cannot understand why we are repeatedly asked to reduce our usage but the companies can continually request rate hikes. We are doing our part how about them?? At some point there is nothing more that we can do to keep our expenses within our fixed incomes. It is becoming increasingly more frustrating.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Webster

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85373-3355

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. Calvin Kolander

Phoenix, AZ 85018-5756

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Laukonis

Casa Grande, AZ 85122-3557

Aug 8, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Laurence J Victor

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85715-4515

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Ms. Maryann Green

[REDACTED]  
Cottonwood, AZ 86326-5007  
[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.

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 have not received a raise in Social Security or Pensions according to inflation or other raises such as gas and food prices.

Sincerely

Liliana Goldberger

7850 E Camelback Rd Bldg 32 unit 211  
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,

Mrs. Liliana Goldberger

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85251-2200

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.

Stock market has crashed come on give us a break.

Cut our cost 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. Doug Payne

  
Maricopa, AZ 85138-5870

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. Nancy McKinney

  
Sedona, AZ 86351-8643

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.

As you are aware, there are tens of thousands of Arizonans out of work. There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years and the cost of food and gasoline are way up.

We Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet and cannot afford this extreme rate increase. We need relief from increased debts not more pressure!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Gail Fritschi

  
Peoria, AZ 85382-8730

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.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Gas company is out of control. Fire their execs

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Jessen

  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001-8477  


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.

This is NOT the time to raise any of our utility bills. This is INSANE! We are all struggling to survive.

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. Life is crazy. You don't go after people during these times. I am sure your profitability is way up. Show some compassion.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Carol Cook

[REDACTED]  
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268-4927  
[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.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Rita Lebel

[REDACTED]  
Huachuca City, AZ 85616-9711

Aug 8, 2011

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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.

Now is NOT the time.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 durban

  
Tucson, AZ 85750-6346

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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WHY IN THE HELL DO YOU PEOPLE FEEL YOU ALWAYS HAVE TO RAISE RATES ON EVERYTHING? FOR SHIT'S SAKE, LOOK AROUND!! NO JOBS, NO BENEFITS. WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE? THERE IS NO EXCUSE, EXPLANATION OR OTHERWISE BULLSHIT ANSWER YOU CAN GIVE TO ME OR ANYONE ELSE THAT WOULD SUFFICE AND EXPLAIN WHY YOU FEEL IT NECESSARY TO RAPE AND I MEAN RAPE OUR WALLETS ONCE AGAIN JUST FOR THE SHEAR FUCKING SAKE OF IT. BUZZ OFF AND GIVE US A FUCKING 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,

Mrs. Melissa Bower

[REDACTED]  
Tempe, AZ 85282-4732  
[REDACTED]

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,

Mrs. Mary Lynn Walters  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85016-5665

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,

Ms. Gillian Petrie

Mesa, AZ 85203-8003

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.

Southwest doesn't care about us. It is their bottom line that is what they care about. There is no other place the average person can go, or do anything. My next house will be all electric. But i will bet that the rates there will also go up. The people in Arizona don't stand a chance to do anything. Talk about a MONOLOPY.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Bill Duvall

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-3535  
[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.

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To Whom it may concern,

As anyone is well aware, finances are tight and thousands of Arizonans are out of work. Of those who have been retired for a few years, many have allotted their retirement pay and Social Security to meet certain expenses based on a different financial picture at that time than we see now.

Since there have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years, many are barely able to meet increased necessary expenses with a devalued dollar. The cost of food and gasoline are way up, but the buying power of the dollar is down.

This does not seem like the time for a 14% increase in cost of Southwest Gas. An increase to "cover expenses" is a broad label to use! What are the specific expenses that they are speaking of?

Thank you for your consideration of this perspective.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 B. McGarey M.A.

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85014-4731  
[REDACTED]

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,

Mr. Max Davis

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85705-9362

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The country is in financial turmoil.

People are beginning to hoard non-perishable foods and water as they are scared that we will have not utilities either they will not exist because we cannot pay our bills or the country will not be paying theirs.

Lets bring some sanity to this situation.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Sherry Muoio

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85373-3329

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,

Mr. MICHAEL O'CONNOR

[REDACTED]  
Tempe, AZ 85282-2340  
[REDACTED]

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,

Mr. Michael Dillon

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85259-3613  
[REDACTED]

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. Dollie Kling

Peoria, AZ 85382-7731

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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With the economy in the shape it is in and the big losses on the market, You guys should be ashamed to even take this request in for consideration. 14 % 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,

Mr. Carl Raber

[REDACTED]  
Sun Lakes, AZ 85248-0896  
[REDACTED]

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,

Mr. donald houser

  
Phoenix, AZ 85053-5718

Aug 8, 2011

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

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This is pure bull!!! Don't let this happen...!!!!!! We are getting beat up with increases from every angle and have to fight to stay alive.....this increase is not needed. SW gas is not intitled to a guaranteed ROI....the population can not even get one! Someone needs to stand up for the peoples rights....!!!!

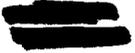
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. LAWRENCE MILLER

  
FT MOHAVE, AZ 86426

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 or struggling to pay the bills from what wages they do have.

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

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,

Mr. Harvey Schroeder

Laveen, AZ 85339-5052

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,

Mrs. Karin Graham

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85702-2303  
[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,

Mr. William Winegard

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85747-5204  
[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.

I am retired on a fixed income. I cannot simply say to my former company, raise my retirement pension so that I can pay more for my utilities. A \$75 raise in gas rates is asking far too much! Enough, 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,

Mr. Fred Scheske  
[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85374-8617  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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I had to retire early without disability benefits because I could not get proper diagnoses for the serious medical problems which were so bad that I couldn't work. I finally got diagnosed after I went on Medicare, but it was too late as far as getting disability benefits. So I am forced to live on a very low fixed income. My prescriptions alone, already cost more than I can afford. I cannot survive if my utility rates keep going up when my income hasn't. Social Security has not given a cost of living increase in 2 yrs. The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

And I am not the only one who will suffer.... There are many like me.

And thousands of Arizonans are out of work. They & many other Arizonans are struggling just to make ends meet.

Middle low income Americans have already been robbed blind by the mega-corporations. Don't kick us while we are down!!

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,

Ms. Myrolee Stanfield

Tucson, AZ 85711-4607

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,

Mr. Warren Humphrey

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85705-5778  
[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. Increases of any kind in any utility company is a bad idea. Corporate America needs to suck it up right now and do their part to stabilize our economy. Raise the rates for high users; my husband and I are both multigenerational Arizonans and we were taught to live in moderation as the desert is a very fragile place. Businesses need to learn moderation, especially those who put our existences in peril. Businesses need to learn to exist in their budgets and stop the greed of excess profits and CEO pirates.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. thelma gasper  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85713-4569  
[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. We understand SW Gas has lost many customers due to foreclosures, but making up for the decreased revenue on the backs of retired seniors on a declining fixed income is not the way. Reduce the performance bonuses for a change. SW Gas executives still have a job and in these times that in it self is a blessing. Remember, all rate increases have a ripple effect and your actions will cause other companies to raise prices to offset your's. Rethink your proposal and be a fair corporate player. Thanks!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Mitchell

Peoria, AZ 85383-2804

Aug 8, 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 am currently employed and cannot afford any more increases in needed 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,

Ms. Karin Paulus

  
Prescott, AZ 86305-7572

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. Richard Schlafer  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85710-7206

Aug 8, 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.  
Please HELP us to live a decent life, we have paid outrageous rates and now you want 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. Donna Clarke

Willcox, AZ 85643-4543

Aug 8, 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.

We cannot afford an extra \$75.00 expense for basic home heat, neither can a lot of other citizens in this State.

Please suggest to Southwest Gas that they negotiate a price DECREASE with their suppliers.

Sincerely,

A. Turner

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Turner

  
Tucson, AZ 85739-2454

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Kautz

[REDACTED]  
Sedona, AZ 86351-8939  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 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.

Yes, the last week of the month my food supply is very low. I am only on SS disability because I have 3 genetic diseases that my family was unaware they carry. I hope in a couple of years to return to work, but right now I am more thin, then my doctors would like, they have dropped their co-pays, and even the pharmaceuticals are trying to help. Please do your part for not just myself but many of the other Americans in my same spot. Remember the Vets will be coming home also to deal with high prices and less job and wage opportunities.

Thank You,  
Jamie Wagner

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Jamie Wagner

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85020-4314

Aug 8, 2011

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

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The governments, state, local and federal keep spending money like a drunken sailor. When are they going to realize there is no more money, and we the people have no more money. Why are electric and gas companies and the like are raising prices, we just can't afford it anymore.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Arthur Lemieux Lemieux  
[REDACTED]  
San Tan Valley, AZ 85143-5488  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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We, like so many others are on a fixed income and my husband just had a stroke so we really cannot afford to have our utilities raised at this time.....

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Warth

Surprise, AZ 85374-5107

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. Carroll Bernier

  
Chandler, AZ 85249-4142

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. Calvin Brinker

Surprise, AZ 85379-5353

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,

Mr. John Aglione

[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-4731  
[REDACTED]

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,

Mrs. Ginamarie Colorio

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Tempe, AZ 85283-4221

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.

In light of the current economic conditions how can anyone suggest we pay more when we make less.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Mihalik

Flagstaff, AZ 86001-8227

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,

Ms. Rose Quintero

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85757-1418

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. Tim Young

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85033-2443  
[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.

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Is this gas rate hike necessary for Southwest Gas to stay in business? I am on a fixed income, with no cost-of-living increase in my social security check going on three years. Would this hurt them as much as it will hurt us? Their timing is terrible. What a PR blunder. Where's their competition? I'll be the first to sign 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,

Mr. William Hollingshead

[REDACTED]  
Sun City West, AZ 85375-2636  
[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.

I am one of those people who relocated here and two years later am now laid off, with questionable continuation of unemployment benefits, the thought of anything being raised scares 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,

Ms. Ann Tucker

Chandler, AZ 85286-2562

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Corporate tax rate have decreased and overall cost to provide this service have decrease.

We are asked to conserve and when we do, we are hit with 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. Otis Buckley

Phoenix, AZ 85024-2434

Aug 8, 2011

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

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There have not been any increase in my salary/pension for 2 years. It appears no increases are coming any time soon; therefore, we cannot afford an increase in 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. Johnnie Edmond

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85743-1453  
[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.  
This is not the time!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Regina Lundberg

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85719-3247  
[REDACTED]

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. Steven Spencer

Phoenix, AZ 85027-3097

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,

Mrs. Lorraine Miller

[REDACTED]  
Yuma, AZ 85367-8588  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. I was laid off for over a year and am just getting back on my feet. There are many who are on a fixed income and with the rising cost of food and other necessities cannot take another hit to their limited income.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Lilla Bailey

[REDACTED]  
Mesa, AZ 85201-2413

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, including my husband.

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 while you all seem to be happy, healthy and wealthy!

Please remember who voted you in as you can as easily be voted out!  
The country is not happy with many politicians 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,

Mrs. Lyn McMahon

Queen Creek, AZ 85142-8342

Aug 8, 2011

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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.  
I haven't had a raise in 3 yrs tighten your belt

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Donnell Nilles

Tucson, AZ 85711-5679

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. Ed Sessa

[REDACTED]  
Goodyear, AZ 85395-2085

[REDACTED]

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.

And, there should be work on solar energy!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 woodley

Glendale, AZ 85303-2939

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. Irene Repp

  
Mesa, AZ 85209-7307

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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listen to the people who put you where you are 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. carson coffelt

Mesa, AZ 85201-7009

Aug 8, 2011

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

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WE NEED THE HELP OF OUR COMMISSION TO STOP THIS OUTRAGEOUS INCREASE.

THANK YOU,

ARTHUR AND SYLVIA WEXLER  
15828 W. STAR VIEW LANE  
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. ARTHUR Wexler

[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85374-5607  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 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,

Dr. Donald Guinouard

[REDACTED]  
Tempe, AZ 85282-3606  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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The City of Phoenix has raised our water bill 9 times in the last 5 years!

Enough.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Walker

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85013-1413  
[REDACTED]

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. Walter Hart

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85020-2624  
[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.

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It's hard to imagine why you would want to raise the cost for this at this moment in the US.

Consider the following:  
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.

Add to this the chaos of the past few weeks, when many if not most of us have been wondering what would happen to our investments, our future security, and our health care--just about everything in which the government has a say. Now you want to add your name to the list of those creating a larger and larger problem to the mess of the current economy.

People aren't spending money now for anything other than the necessities. And the costs of those are under threat of being constantly raised.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Donella Eberle  


Scottsdale, AZ 85258-6604

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,

Ms. Bev Faldalen

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Green Valley, AZ 85614-1928  
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Aug 8, 2011

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

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An increase of this amount will only serve to work further hardship of citizens, especially the elderly on fixed incomes. My goodness, at least wait until COLA's resume and more of this economic squeeze is past. We just had increase in rates and this is absolutely cruel to even consider 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. Sarah Alexander  
[REDACTED]

Glendale, AZ 85301-2319  
[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. Ron Kuykendall

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85704-6027  
[REDACTED]

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. Eldredge Wright Jr

[REDACTED]  
Mesa, AZ 85207-1191  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Another issue is the Arizona Water company raising rates 80%. They no way can justify an increase of this magnitude, unless they are putting gold in the water. Both of these issues need to be put down .

Thanks  
Jack Towers

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 towers  
[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85374-3046  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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We here in Tucson cannot make your meeting in Phoenix or Sun City as we have to drive in. Cost of gas is high. We had no gas last Feb. at our homes. I had to stand in the street and beg a worker to put my gas on and we were not reimbursed for our loss of gas and having to go elsewhere and not stay in our homes because of this. Now you want to raise our utilities. I vote NO NO 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. Rochelle Roth

Tucson, AZ 85750-6934

Aug 8, 2011

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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'm on a reduced income. Please don't raise your rates!

Thank you.

JG

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Jeffrey Gaudioso

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85257-4818

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,

Mrs. allen gibson

[REDACTED]  
Sedona, AZ 86336-9504  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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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 would be up there on August 10, but I have to work to make ends meet and pay the bills that I currently have. None of us have gotten raises at work for a long, long time. Tucson Electric has recently raised their rates. We can't have everyone raising their rates simultaneously!

As an elected Commissioner, please do not grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates! Please vot NO on the Southwest Gas rate increase request!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Winnie Null  
2225 E. Seneca St.  
Tucson, AZ 85719

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Winnie Null  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85719-3837  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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We are counting on you for a no vote, Please do not let us down

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Jean Deckert

[REDACTED]  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-4442  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Eric Vance

  
Phoenix, AZ 85051-6214

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Sal Fortunato

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85257-4746  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Can you, with a clear conscience, vote to approve such a rate increase at this point in time? I hope you will keep the good of the people and common sense in mind.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Nolph

Cave Creek, AZ 85331-6865

Aug 8, 2011

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

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If you need money, get it from big business. They are the ones responsible for the mess we are in. You know, GREED is a terrible thing to waste.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Rains

  
Tucson, AZ 85730-2820

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Nancy True

  
Sedona, AZ 86351-8924

Aug 8, 2011

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Judith day

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85716-3024  
[REDACTED]

Increase of nearly \$75.

Barbara J. Moore  
13600 E. 52nd Drive  
Yuma, Arizona 85367

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Moore

[REDACTED]  
Yuma, AZ 85367-8571  
[REDACTED]

SEE

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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 Koss

Tucson, AZ 85710-2612

Aug 8, 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. Randall Sims

Peoria, AZ 85383-7147

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,

Dr. Siraj Mufti

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85710-4932  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Ann Schwab

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85749-8754

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Do not put more pressure on the people trying to get 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. Charles Dalrymple

Tucson, AZ 85718-4022

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. Michelle Garon

[REDACTED]  
Oro Valley, AZ 85755-1790  
[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,

Ms. Diane Waring

Bullhead City, AZ 86442-6116

Aug 9, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lynn Gardner

  
Flagstaff, AZ 86004-7881

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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. David Maquire

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-1038

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. Ruth Herrera

Tucson, AZ 85711-4671

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Going without medications because of high cost.

I Went back to school and graduated 4 year degree and cannot find a job, there are no jobs and have to pay back my student loan, how will I do that with all this extra expense?

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Rebecca Bradshaw

[REDACTED]  
El Mirage, AZ 85335-5234  
[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.

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Natural gas is not in short supply. As a matter of fact, gas commodity prices in the US are significantly down from 2008. Don't let Southwest Gas get away with raising prices without justification other than greed to get rich over the backs of Arizonans that are struggling due too the bad 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. Willem Riede

[REDACTED]  
Gold Canyon, AZ 85118-1954

Aug 8, 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. I believe the Medicare Bill of Rights has been violated due to now COLA increases.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Other utility companies and cell phone companies are raising their rates as well. Soon no-one will be paying bills and the USA will come to a stop. You too will not benefit due to your greed.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Regazzi

[REDACTED]  
San Tan Valley, AZ 85143-3481  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 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 including members of my family. As you are aware there have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years and appears that Congress will want to continue to balance the budget on the backs of the working class. The cost of food and gasoline are way up and getting out of control with many Arizonans 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. Manuel Perea  
[REDACTED]  
Safford, AZ 85546-3820  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Dear Commissioner,

Please -- try to help us out. We "ALL" are really under a large burden and having a very hard time of making our money stretch.

Please Don't Raise our Gas Rates - Please vote NO

Thanking in advance for you help,  
Ted and Carolyn Waldhauser  
17055 W. Southampton Rd  
Surprise, AZ 85374

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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. Ted & Carolyn Waldhauser  
[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85374-1821

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. Penafancia Bendorovicz

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85042-4148  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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City of Phoenix raised taxes on food, which 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,

Mrs. Lena ViTerrie Hankins

Phoenix, AZ 85086-3411

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alejandro S. Garcia

  
El Mirage, AZ 85335-9709

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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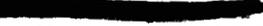
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kathy Fenyves

  
Gilbert, AZ 85297-7757

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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. Christine Puricelli  
[REDACTED]  
Chandler, AZ 85249-5932  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. bonnie pelton

[REDACTED]  
Sun City West, AZ 85375-2227

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. Lori Lietz

  
Glendale, AZ 85308-9197

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. Gloria schauer

Surprise, AZ 85374-0140

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. J Vickers Brown

[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85622-4835  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald Plankey

[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85387-2724

[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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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 are on limited incomes; 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,

Mrs. Sharon Kluge  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85749-8233  
[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,

Mr. Brian Magyar

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85745-7115  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman  
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Rev. Nano Nathan

  
Sedona, AZ 86351-7266

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Mr. dale snell

[REDACTED]  
Yuma, AZ 85365-2932  
[REDACTED]

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We are trying to live solely on social security and during the winter our heating bills are horrid and we are still cold! Please reconsider such a drastic rate hike at this time.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. carol wallace

Tombstone, AZ 85638-6101

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Albert Forster

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85083-2207

[REDACTED]

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I need a job first, then I don't mind the increases. I've been looking, and interviewing etc not hired.

I am 69 years old, they are going to hire someone younger. I need more money, are you going to help me? I don't think so.

Please, no increases right now.

Marie Schuyler

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Schuyler

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-4529

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At 70 years of age, my husband has had to go back to work to meet the NEW living expenses. So, NO, do NOT raise gas rates or any other rates for that matter!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Nadine Flash

Glendale, AZ 85302-4831

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Please vote NO on the Southwest Gas rate increase request.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Harold and Jackie Howarth  
10861 West Piute Avenue  
Sun City, CA 85373

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jackie Howarth  
[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85373-3385

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How are we going to afford this raise? The senior citizens have not had any raise in SS or our pensions in three to four years.

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Norton

[REDACTED]  
Sun City West, AZ 85375-2761  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jeannine Boutin

  
Phoenix, AZ 85016-1141

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jane Chischilly

  
Bisbee, AZ 85603-2285

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard D'Arcangelo

Tucson, AZ 85730-5740

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ellen Friedman

  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-1963

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. jerry mayfield

Tucson, AZ 85743-8911

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. ed rubino

Phoenix, AZ 85018-6146

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The bottom fell out of the stock market today and it will take years to come back. Why does everyone think everything is perfect and now is the time to raise rates. We did not get a raise, both my husband and I lost our jobs because of the bad economy. Please consider not to create a raise, let the economy come back and we will be more than happy to pay more at that 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. Linda Eddlemon  
[REDACTED]  
Laveen, AZ 85339-2405

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PLEASE do not raise our bills at this time. Things are not going well for us. This just adds to our misery. PLEASE UNDERSTAND.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Nelda Majors

Scottsdale, AZ 85259-3346

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I am particularly concerned about the request from Southwest Gas to decouple rates and usage. Even though Southwest Gas is not my gas provider, I am writing to protest any action that discourages conservation in our state, which decoupling absolutely does.

As an Arizonan, I don't want any utility to de-emphasize conservation efforts. We can't afford that -- as individuals, in Arizona, throughout the United States, and around the world.

Utilities are just beginning to encourage conservation efforts. I urge the Commission to require all utilities to do much more, not less, to decrease our reliance on nonrenewable resources.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Sarah Wilce

Flagstaff, AZ 86001-1020

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Utilities are so expensive already they consume most of my social security check leaving me little left for other living expenses... I certainly hope there is not another increase in the cost of gas services this year..

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

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Now is not a good time to raise the prices for all of us struggling to make ends meet as it is.

D Watford

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Dovie Watford

[REDACTED]  
Glendale, AZ 85308-7683  
[REDACTED]

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Many have lost their homes.

There is a saying in Spanish that equates to "pulling the legs of a hanged man/woman" - that's what it feels like every time there are increases in the cost to our already fragile livelihood = tax increases, taking away the mortgage deduction, etc. You know all of this well, so I will not continue the list.

Please vote NO. We pay enough for gas already.

Thank you!

Norma Roberts

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85747

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Norma Roberts

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85747-5001  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Patricia Kittrell

[REDACTED]  
Oro Valley, AZ 85755-5748  
[REDACTED]

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Arizona Health Care for lower income families and children is absolutely. Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.  
Arizona Politicians Are concerned about the next election,  
Not the welfare of the citizens!! Their VIEW, Whats good for me!! I wonder if they know or care what this increase in Gas rates will do to lower income people and all who are struggling.  
My guess is they DON'T!!!  
Lastly, I have a feeling this message is not going to change anything.  
Government by the people seems to me a thing of the Past!!!!!! am I UPSET, If you can't tell by this message,  
All above is wasted time!!

Jim Mabery  
5071 S. Calle Encina  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Mabery  
[REDACTED]  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-8972  
[REDACTED]

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In the summer we still pay a fee even if we don't use any gas, that's hundreds of thousand dollars every month they already get for nothing.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Walt Lewandowski

  
Eloy, AZ 85131-3096

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. robert ferrante

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-1526

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This is just plain outrageous! Like others in our age bracket, we are struggling something fierce to hang onto our homes in the first place - selling jewelry, household items, refinancing our car, etc. What more can we do here?

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Susan Johnson

Surprise, AZ 85374-8902

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Sincerely,

Mr. Fred Highton

  
Tucson, AZ 85745-8947

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please don't allow this SRP and APS does this to us we are stuggling  
to survive

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Matthew Nelson  
[REDACTED]  
Mesa, AZ 85208-7653

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Elizabeth Urick

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85260-4286  
[REDACTED]

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. As a senior living mainly on Social Security - this is outrageous particularly since even using less gas will not result in a reduced bill due to SW Gas wanting you to allow 'decoupling'. We are struggling to survive - 14% increase is certainly an uncaring way to provide service to people 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,

Mrs. gerrie cohn

  
Gilbert, AZ 85233-2616

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We who are on FIXED INCOME have not had a raise in two years. And may not get one this coming year. many of us are doing without medication just to pay are bills now. And Southwest Gas wants a 14% increase. So would I!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Blakely Sr.

  
Avondale, AZ 85392-7084

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marianne Grill

  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-5742

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. PETE G NILDUCIA SR

  
Phoenix, AZ 85041-3120

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kathleen Olson

[REDACTED]  
Tempe, AZ 85281-1147  
[REDACTED]

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I am expected to live on \$814 a month pay all bills and taxes which are now going up again, insurance on home insurance on car and all Dr. bills Medicare won't pay and you want to raise my gas rates almost \$75.00 They are high enough the way it is. I don't get a cost of living increase or a yearly bonus in the Thousands as you do under your corporation Why don't you try living on what I have to live on for a change and see how you would like it to have everything go up but your monthly check. Quite a scare when they said Social security may not go out this month also still talking for later on stopping it what would I have to pay gas bill with??????

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Sellers

[REDACTED]  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-5630  
[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. michael schumm

[REDACTED]  
Oro Valley, AZ 85737-9051  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman  
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor  
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 those working are struggling just to make it through each month.

Raising rates at this time will create major problems for many individuals trying to survive through this weakened economy with gasoline and food prices increasing.

As an elected Commissioner, please reconsider the proposed increase and vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase.

BG.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Bill Gross

  
Oro Valley, AZ 85737-7268

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.

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

The cost of food, prescriptions and gasoline are way up. Our health premiums have increased.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. My wife and I are both retired. We took a heavy hit in the stock market that depleted resources that severely restricts our discretionary funds and savings that we will need for future health costs that are not covered by insurance. We are now seeing doctors more frequently and making payments for our co-payments and deductibles.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Fred Gallacinao

Peoria, AZ 85383-5240

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.

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. Jimmy Gonzales  
[REDACTED]  
Globe, AZ 85502-1631

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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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. randell elmer

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85008-6415  
[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.

I am a grandmother raising two grandchildren. I was laid off from my 13-year old job the end of February 2011, and my income now consists only of social security. Of course, I am struggling to make ends meet. Now is not the time to raise gas rates near \$75 per year.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Kathleen Gossert

  
Tucson, AZ 85745-4127

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.

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 some of us are on social security check away from living on the street.

"Imagining what it is like to be someone other than oneself is at the core of our humanity. It is the essence of compassion, and it is the beginning of morality."--Ian McEwan

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Bert & Suzanne Cisneros

[REDACTED]  
Cottonwood, AZ 86326-6218  
[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.

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.

Although I do not use gas at my home I have clients that do. With the economy in such a down slope today we can't afford to raise the price on any thing else. So many people in Arizona are not only loosing their jobs but their homes also. This has to stop some where some time soon!!!!!!.

Linda Rayburn  
6350 Ranch Rd  
Hereford AZ 85615

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Rayburn  
[REDACTED]  
Hereford, AZ 85615-9159  
[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.

Please reconsider and temper any increase. This is definitely a very poor time to increase operating cost on any fixed income category of citizens.

Thank you.

Ray Kowallis  
2518 Coral Brooke Dr.  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Kowallis

[REDACTED]  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-5704  
[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.

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 consider keeping your costs down.

Susan Foster

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Foster

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85257-1020

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.

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.  
Being as I am one of those thousands of Arizonans that is out of work,  
I certainly cannot afford any increases now and in the foreseeable  
future.

John Jianopoulos  
747 W. Firehawk Dr.  
Green Valley, AZ 85614

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Jianopoulos  
[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5243

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.  
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.

More importantly, what exactly are your plans for profits earned with yet another increase? What exactly do we consumers get for our money? What exactly will you be doing for us, besides fleecing?

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Debbie Barnette  
I vote, and especially for Commissioners.  
1420 e. roger road

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 barnette  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85719-1140

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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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. Ellen Mini`  
[REDACTED]

Prescott, AZ 86301-6582  
[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.

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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.

Try mercy - it couldn't hurt.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Barbara Sciacca

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85022-3344  
[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.

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 a handicapped daughter and she keeps getting cuts in her benefits no 14% increases for her, and I have taken 2 10% hits to my pay for taking care of her, no increases for me just gas for car way up and food prices going sky high...let others take a cut or no raises ...our government officials don't take cuts to their pay or benefits, so guess it is just us little people that keep getting screwed over and over ? THANKS FOR VOTING NO IN ADVANCE.....

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 AGEY

Goodyear, AZ 85338-5504

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.

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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. Bill Snodgrass

[REDACTED]  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-8325

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.

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. Victor Legaspi

  
Laveen, AZ 85339-7146

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.

Regardless of the fact that SW gas does not service our area. I am voicing my concern for my fellow Arizonans, as it could be our area next. How could you consider any increases under these economic times. EVERYONE must do their part to help their neighbors survive this depression. Make no mistake, this is a depression. Greed has no place in today's world - have you no shame....

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 Mentch

[REDACTED]  
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403-4835

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.

Please folks....you've got to stop this increase. PLEASE!

Eric Hansen  
Tucson

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. eric hansen  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85728-5014

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. Ralph Akehurst

[REDACTED]  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-5325  
[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.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Hankins

  
Phoenix, AZ 85086-3411

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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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. Francis Reynolds

  
Pinetop, AZ 85935-8484

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 the outlook for higher rates of employment is bleak.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years and although I am presently working, I have 9 furlough days a year. This cuts substantially into my take-home pay.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up and you know they will continue to rise. Even my bus pass doubled in cost.

Many Arizonans are already struggling to make ends meet. Please don't add higher utility rates to the economic burden of struggling Arizonans.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Staly-Mason

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85752-1903  
[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.

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  
retired living on a fixed income. My wages have not increased 14%  
EVER...why should my bill increase 14%? Not fair, unjust, and  
unnecessary!! Do NOT increase my bill.  
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas  
request to raise our rates. Thank you.  
Gerald King  
1716 W. Twain Ct Anthem, 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,

Mr. Gerald King  
[REDACTED]  
Anthem, AZ 85086-4600  
[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.

Please don't think it is fair to keep bills up even if use is down. How else can we control our bills if you won't?

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Wardell

Tucson, AZ 85713-3534

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.

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 falls of the stock market the last few years have greatly reduced my investment funds. I live off these dividends and interest, and I don't need a further drain on my cash flow!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Thompson

  
Scottsdale, AZ 85262-1124

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.

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. Esther Berumen

[REDACTED]  
Avondale, AZ 85323-1190  
[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.

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.

Given the recent turbulence in the stock market, my wife and I are watching our life savings evaporate. We can't take another hit. Please 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,

Mr. Gary Gibbs

  
Goodyear, AZ 85338-5472

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.

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. Richard Prratt

[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85622-6336  
[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.

Dear Commissioner:

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work. Many of us are retired and rely on Social Security which has not had an increase in two years. Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. This is not the time for the gas company to raise rates and make lots of money on the backs of the unemployed and retired.

Please 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,

Mr. James Peaper  
[REDACTED]  
Goodyear, AZ 85395-8016  
[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.

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. Bonnie Huffer

Tucson, AZ 85712-1301

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.

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.

According to an article in the Arizona Daily Star Arizona Daily Star Friday, November 12, 2010 Southwest Gas needs a rate increase to reach its "approved profit level."

They also want to boost energy efficiency and increase the use of solar power--so they can charge more for the gas we do use?

With another recession possibly in our near future, this is definitely not the time to be raising natural gas rates.

Please vote NO on the Southwest Gas rate increase request.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Judith Lacy

[REDACTED]  
Tucson AZ 85715

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Lacy

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85715-5596

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.

I do understand the cost of doing business has increased. However, now is not the time for a 14% increase. Too many people are out of work or under-employed to absorb another increase. However, if some increase is necessary for Southwest's solvency, please make it a modest 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. Harvey Stone

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85251-4002  
[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.

This increase would affect my family in a negative way: I am a retired teacher and the Arizona State Retirement benefit has not been raised for several years and Social Security benefits have not been raised for two years.

I have a son who has MS and is on disability which I help supplement. The value on his house and my house have fallen to the point where he is under water on his house and can not afford to sell it.

With food and gasoline costs continuing to rise, I cannot afford a rise in gas rates at this time.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Audrey Young

Yuma, AZ 85364

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.

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. Louise Sullivan  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85719-3432

Aug 8, 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.

In case you haven't noticed we are on the threshold of a double-dip recession. Not a reasonable time to ask for a rate increase and a guarantee that SW Gas won't lower our rates no matter how we might be forced to conserve. This is a utility's classic 'kick them while they're down' philosophy.

Don't allow it. Maybe in the distant future when recovery becomes a real possibility.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Ciminelli

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85742-9310  
(520) 572-8925

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

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Mendez

Queen Creek, AZ 85142-6259

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As a widow with no increase in income for years, I just can't pay more for utilities. And with the pass couple of days, how can you raise rates so drastically when we all have lost many, many dollars in investments.

Joanne Christenson  
961 W. Camino Tierra Libre  
Green Valley, AZ 85614

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Christenson  
[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-2860  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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People are at the end of the line where patience is concerned and somehow this out of control spending needs to end.

I have to budget to make my income last and so do you and the other 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. JOSEPH BIANCARDI

  
Cortaro, AZ 85652-1306

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. Lee Ann Zardus

  
Phoenix, AZ 85041-6077

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marilyn Lemons

[REDACTED]  
Mesa, AZ 85213-6945  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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We barely make it on what we make 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,

Mrs. Wendy Cooper  
[REDACTED]  
Prescott Valley, AZ 86315-9070

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. Walter Schmidt

[REDACTED]  
Glendale, AZ 85308-9427  
[REDACTED]

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've cut down on utility use, and would welcome more ways to cut 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,

Mrs. Rosie Silver

Tucson, AZ 85757-8216

Aug 8, 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. Pete Vasquez

  
Phoenix, AZ 85051-6205

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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A lot of your neighbors are out of work... wouldn't it be more prudent to perhaps help those still in homes to stay there rather than hit everyone with a price increase right now.

Might not be a "good business practice" but certainly would go a long way in good customer service.

A rate increase right now feels like just another business that cares more about its profit margin than its customers. Which business model is SRP committed to?

Give the economy a chance to recover a bit before adding one more hit with approving higher rates.

We all know things cost more these days but someone has to be more realistic about raising what the population is being charged.... just because it can.

Do SRP's needs REALLY demand a raise right now? I would vote 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,

Mrs. Bonnie Weber

[REDACTED]  
Gilbert, AZ 85295-1967  
[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.

Like many Arizonans, I cannot afford any increase in my utilities. I am retired and live on a fixed income.

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 approve an increase for Southwest Gas rates. Please do not approve this increase 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,

Ms. Melaine Langi

Marana, AZ 85658-4166

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.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. HOMER GRIBBEN

Phoenix, AZ 85032-4451

Aug 8, 2011

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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.

Why are utility companies all allowed to raise their rates, but Americans aren't entitled to income raises or better tax breaks?

All my bills have almost doubled in the last 2 years and I'm on social security.

Please do not grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

Vote NO on the Southwest Gas rate increase request !

Thank you,

Kathy Seifert

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, Az 85351

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Seifert

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-2650  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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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. Fred Thompson

  
Scottsdale, AZ 85251-4599

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.

I am a retired Federal Government worker on a fixed income with no COLA for the last two years just like the Social Security recipients.

In addition, 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 is not the time to raise rates for heating costs. Along with all the uncertainty of our economy this needs to be reconsidered.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 McDonald

  
Glendale, AZ 85310-5917

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,

Mr. DENNIS BOLLMANN

  
Phoenix, AZ 85035-3403

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.

Many, including myself, a widow, living alone on a fixed income. This would be an extremely hardship on everyone.

I'm also registered as low income with SW Gas.

Every dollar the utility companies increases our rate is a dollar less for groceries!

Please.....not another increase! Fixed income means FIXED! Try budgeting your expenses like we must do!! Guess you cannot and trying to get the extra money from us senior citizens, which this area is mostly made up of!

Sincerely, Shirley Temple

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Shirley Temple

Surprise, AZ 85374-2935

Aug 8, 2011

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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.

No one can afford a rate increase at this time. It's ridiculous, greedy and cruel.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Joan Jacobs

scottsdale, AZ 85254

Aug 8, 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. Anthony E Miele

[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85374-4820  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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I find that gas SW Gas Rates are already high. One month of heating approaches \$100. It seems if we conserve to save money, then the company doesn't make enough money, so they want to raise rates.

I would suggest pay cuts to employees and management and executives, along with benefit reductions, to make ends meet at SW Gas. This is what we all get when our company doesn't make enough money.

Thanks

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Larry Brooks

[REDACTED]  
Marana, AZ 85658

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.

I don't need an additional increase from the Southwest Gas company.

Regards,

Braulio Santana

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. braulio santana

Peoria, AZ 85383

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 or underemployed.

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

The cost of health care, food, electricity and gasoline are way up.

Many Arizonans, like me, are struggling to make ends meet.

Although we do not get our gas directly from Southwest Gas, we get it from the City of Mesa, who in fact gets it from Southwest Gas, and the City of Mesa passes on ALL price increases to me the end consumer.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Smalley

  
San Tan Valley, AZ 85140-7413

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and it has affected my husband and I also.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years and many are having to do without to get by.

We have made many cuts to our own budget in the last two years and an increase would be laying another burden upon the hard working people of this state who are trying to stay above water as it is.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. Our houses have lost there value the stock market is crashing and now is not the time for an increase.

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. Penny Abel

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
Glendale, AZ 85308-6156

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. Kathleen Garner

  
Tucson, AZ 85711-3446

Aug 8, 2011

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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.

Not the time for a heating 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. John Villa

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-5762  
[REDACTED]

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.

Now is not the time to raise heating costs almost \$75 a year.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Rorke

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85261-4430

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. The fact that we even have to DO THIS is beyond any reason. Southwest Gas has NO right to make even more money than they are. They can tighten their belts just like every body else. There is a group of people in our state that are considering the possibility of looking into have the utility made into a state run facility. You are just making it easier to get new members.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Larry Gibson

  
Prescott, AZ 86301-6819

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 Arizonians are out of work. no thanks to out-of-control Unions!

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. it's our \$\$, don't play games with it!

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. out of control!!

use your heads, think about the ones who use your utility...it's not something we opt for. it's a necessity for most and survival for some...get the gov't to cut porkbelly spending and use that \$\$ for more important things (unlike buying votes!!!)

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Mancini

  
Glendale, AZ 85308-7410

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,

Mr. CHARLES STARR

Surprise, AZ 85387-8251

Aug 8, 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.

" De-coupling" is nothing but a subsidy and discourages 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,

Mr. Robert Willey  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85258-2630  
[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.  
And They want to raise our rates.

Why? So they can have 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. Dennis Russell  
[REDACTED]

[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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As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Doug DePillis

  
Phoenix, AZ 85085-5077

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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. Royalie Freistroffer  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85251-5805

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. Dennis Burnett

  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001-7097

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.

This area is fully of retired people and young people starting out (by ASU). Their incomes have been impacted in many ways. And most of them do not have the power to raise their income. Be it age or classes. Please do not raise the rates at this time. Seems the corporations get to keep raising rates but how does a senior citizen or student get a raise? The corporations are going to put themselves out of business. Heating is so very important, especially for the elderly. Exercise caution.  
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. Debra Muilenberg

Tempe, AZ 85281-5566

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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As a senior citizen, I would like to point out that the senior citizens of this state/country have had no Social Security COLA increases for two years. Our fixed income is being eaten up by the utility companies never ending rate increases at a time when the economic climate in this country is horrible. The S&P rating downgrade is sure to increase interest rates and we continue to suffer the high costs of food and gasoline.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet and senior citizens are most adversely affected. Now, along comes SW Gas which wants to raise our gas bills almost \$75 year, a 14% increase. Congratulations if you got a 14% pay raise this year; I know I got reduced income!

I'm also against "decoupling"! Let's make the utility companies live within their means!!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Pagni  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85259-2318  
[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.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. VIRGINIA MURPHY

  
Tucson, AZ 85750-6198

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. Terry Thiel

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Phoenix, AZ 85044-3623  
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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. Connie Hupperts

[REDACTED]  
Peoria, AZ 85345-5267  
[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.

Energy prices have plummeted and will stay depressed while tens of thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

A 14% increase in natural gas rates is hardly commensurate with the (zero) pay or SS increases, despite the reality that food and gasoline costs have jumped.

Thank you,  
--Daniel A Hodgson

P.S. Maybe, while increasing the natural gas rates for average Arizonans, you could find a way to decrease the rates for the wealthiest 5%--providing much needed help for this struggling sub-culture, like Congress did for them by extending the Bush tax cuts. That's the NEW American way--Welfare for the Wealthy.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 A Hodgson  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85704-4133  
[REDACTED]

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. Walter Jacobson

[REDACTED]  
Glendale, AZ 85302-3239  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 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.  
Come on give us middle class and poor 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. Edward Hendricks

Tucson, AZ 85716-5214

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. Michael Brazelton

Tucson, AZ 85730-2809

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.

I am one of them....please don't approve gas 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. Myrtle Myers

Yuma, AZ 85365-9029

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.

I also object very strongly to the implementation of the "decoupling" so revenues will not decline if less gas is used that this request contains. Amazing that this is even considered!!!!!!

There has to be a better solution for Arizonans.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Cheryl Askew

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85048-8928  
[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 and those of us who are retired have received no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

While I recognize SWG needs to perform upgrades on their equipment for the future, an increase of 14% is unconscionable at this time given the thousands of their consumers who are struggling to meet just their basic needs.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 KLOEHN

  
Tucson, AZ 85739-2169

Aug 8, 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 can hardly make it thru 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. FLORENCE DUTTON

Marana, AZ 85658-4018

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 E. Romero  
[REDACTED]  
Clifton, AZ 85533-0466  
[REDACTED]

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,

Mr. JESUS LERMA

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85040-1426  
[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. amy neely

  
Tempe, AZ 85284-3479

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,

Mrs. Tracy Visser

[REDACTED]  
Tolleson, AZ 85353-4436

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Being on a fixed income, with no increase in our income, it is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain our standard of living. Every other phone call we get is asking for donations for the less fortunate. But we are the ones who are becoming the less fortunate. The company needs to tighten its operation and not expect the customer to always absorb their operating cost increases. We have already tightened our belts. And it is absolutely unacceptable to allow decoupling - if we use less we should pay less.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Kathleen Boyne  
[REDACTED]  
Buckeye, AZ 85396-2276

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. Edward Levy

  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-5763

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.

Somebody has to draw the line.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Schwertley  
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor  
Phoenix, AZ 85044-4658

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. Terry Braun

[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85374-2020

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. Kent Gugler

  
Prescott, AZ 86305-1341

Aug 8, 2011

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

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But what would fat cats like you know about that? Or worse, care. You are the servants of big business and cater to their every whim.

Surprise us all. Vote on behalf of Arizona's citizens...especially those who can least afford an increase in their 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. Michael Levy

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85251-5200  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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This needs to go away with no 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. Leo Scaturro

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Congress, AZ 85332-1302

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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Please be aware of the hardships many are experiencing and don't just give a blanket approval for SW Gas' request to raise rates. I often feel corporations are disconnected from how difficult our financial situations have become. Shouldn't those who provide necessities cut us a little slack?

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Hollis Fabe

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85712-6607  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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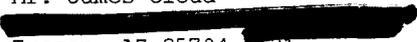
As an elected Commissioner, please don't grant the Southwest Gas request to raise our rates.

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Cloud

  
Tucson, AZ 85704-5531

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. J. McClelland

  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-5010

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 are living on social security and do not have any other income, we cannot even pay our expense's such as medical and doctor or other utility expense's such as water and 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. Harold Frederick  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85737-8710  
[REDACTED]

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. Efren Rodriguez

  
Tucson, AZ 85745-9314

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.

SW Gas already collects way too much for the service it provides.

The price of natural gas is astronomical in this time of energy conservation and loss of income.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 hickman

Phoenix, AZ 85085-5733

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. thomas barry  
[REDACTED]  
Avondale, AZ 85392-3553

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. Elizabeth Koch

[REDACTED]  
Sahuarita, AZ 85629-8595  
[REDACTED]

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. Doming J. Fernandez

  
Phoenix, AZ 85050-4887

Aug 8, 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 because they have suffered a pay cut due to the struggling economy. Southwest Gas should not be immune from the effects of the bad 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. Robert Lingenfelter  
[REDACTED]  
Prescott, AZ 86303-6318  
[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.

We are some of those people. We have not seen an increase of 14% in any of our income sources, ie: a small pension that is threatened by legislators, and our small Social Security payments which have not risen for the last three years.

Please consider that we need an affordable cooking and heating source.

It has become almost UN-affordable 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. Ray Bauer

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85742-9645  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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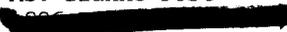
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Dianne Post

  
Phoenix, AZ 85006-3047

Aug 8, 2011

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

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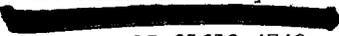
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Sincerely,

Mr. Kenneth Kelley

  
Marana, AZ 85658-4742

Aug 8, 2011

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

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I am retired and living on a fixed income. Please do not increase ..  
Sincerely, Rollie Tillery 2912 East  
Lowell ave. Gilbert, AZ 85295

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. rollie tillery

  
Gilbert, AZ 85295-1403  


Aug 8, 2011

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

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To Whom it May Concern:

I haven't full time in 2 years and have struggled and struggled to keep my house from foreclosure proceedings. I have sold possessions for pennies on the dollar, cleaned houses, transported seniors to doctors appointments and errands and have worked harder and longer just to cover some of the bills. It is difficult to face any type of increase at this time. Please just wait until things loosen up a bit and the job market looks brighter.

I know so many people who have lost their homes and cannot face anymore disappointments and failures. Think about what it would be like if this horrible experience was happening to one of your family members and then rethink the increase. I am alone and have no family to help and many others don't either.

Please delay this increase. When I had income I was happy to pay for my utilities as they make life pleasurable. I appreciate them. I have kept my A/C on 83 -85 so far this year to reduce costs and it gets hot in the house anyway.

I think this country would recover faster if people were more open to helping each other by doing the right thing until conditions improve. Please do the right thing and wait. Thank you so much for listening and I hope it is thanking you in advance of your action to raise the 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. Tracie Martin

  
Peoria, AZ 85382-4674

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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. Paul McDonald

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-4201

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Southwest Gas ALREADY charges US more than they do the people in Nevada (the END of their pipeline) and although I don't know about now, they used to allow their employees to use the company jet on weekends to go to Vegas ON OUR DIME!

This has got to stop! They are just being greedy in asking for a raise now.

Thank you,  
Edana Schmidt  
6509 E Calle Altair  
Tucson, AZ. 85710-5239

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Edana Schmidt  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85710-5239  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Neeley

  
Tucson, AZ 85745-5129

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Gerome

1200 W. Washington  
Gilbert, AZ 85234-6077

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. Carlton Clarke

  
Phoenix, AZ 85042-6645

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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Like many, we are struggling to make ends meet on a fixed income that is apparently going to stay fixed.

We simply cannot afford an 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 Benoit

[REDACTED]  
Sun City West, AZ 85375-4452

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jeraldine Cole

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85022-4715  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Karen Mehlman

  
Scottsdale, AZ 85258-2745

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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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. People on a fixed income are struggling to make ends meet. Whatever retirement funds have been put aside are losing value dramatically as we speak, costs of basic necessities such as food, gasoline, healthcare are growing at an alarming rate.

The younger generation cannot find work, so the older generation must step in to help them out, putting an extra burden on an already tight budget!

What else can we do and where do we go when the money dries up? How far can one stretch a dollar ???

Thank you for listening and for considering the plight of all retired people who are struggling enough day-by-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. grazia cooper

Chandler, AZ 85249-3255

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,

Ms. deanna delmar

  
Phoenix, AZ 85048-7244

Aug 8, 2011

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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.

Even though Southwest Gas may have good reasons to

raise rates the time requires restraint. In time perhaps a raise will be more appropriate

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Ganz

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85710-2912  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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We are retired and can't afford an 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. Garvin Malow

Chandler, AZ 85286-6359

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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. Phil Terpening

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85748-3282

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.

And look what the stock market did lately.

Please, please, we don't need another rate increase so the big companies can get fatter with 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,

Mr. Ray Herman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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This is absolutely ridiculous, has my house or anyone's increased 14%? What are you thinking with?

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Watkins

  
Gilbert, AZ 85295-1739  


Aug 8, 2011

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

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NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO INCREASE 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,

Mrs. ANNE CHIARO

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-2317  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Although I am currently not a Southwest Gas customer, I stand with those who are and request a NO vote on any increases at this time.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Allen Petersen

  
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426-5387

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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My income just DROPPED by about 50%. there is no possible way I can afford an increase in my gas bill.  
How can you even. Onside such a price hike with so many unemployed or marginally employed?

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Emilie Vardaman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Naco, AZ 85620-0177

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Many elderly Arizonians are struggling with the decision to buy prescribed medications or buy food or run their A/C. Any of these choices put their health at extreme risk and the addition of even \$75 dollars can force them into an unwanted and potentially harmful decision. Please don't further penalize those who are already vulnerable.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Switalski

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85014-5734  
[REDACTED]

Aug 9, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lenore Mackey

  
Tucson, AZ 85711-1403

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. betty mcgowan

Phoenix, AZ 85029-2560

Aug 8, 2011

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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.  
Our Economy is a disaster and Washington is clueless.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Rudy Braendle

Maricopa, AZ 85138-1596

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 economy is making life very difficult for all americans.  
This is not the time to make it worse.

Obama thinks our money grows on trees, but we all know better, don't we!!

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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. Stephen Gleave

Phoenix, AZ 85028-2315

Aug 8, 2011

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

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I was recently down sized from a job which employed me for the last 20 years. Now that I'm 65 years old and a disabled Viet Nam veteran, no one is willing to hire me for any position except at the local Walmart. This is OK by me if I were able to stand for an extended period of time, which I can longer do.

This brings me to the topic of fixed income, and I mean "Fixed". If you procede with this increase all I can say Southwest Gas is "un-American" and you are abiding by the "greed principle" of all these large corporations and could care less about the misfortunate seniors who can not afford this increase. Whoever is making this call from some large board room, think again...if it were someone close to all of you, would you vote without concern for their needs. Please let your conscience be your guide; to all of you. It's time you do the right thing instead for your profit margin. You already are making too much money and this wounded country can not afford to collapse under your corporate pressures.

A concerned Veteran,  
Paul Hamilton III

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Paul Hamilton III

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85743-8258  
[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.  
I personally pay my Southwest Gas bill out of my \$900.00  
a month retirement income.

Do YOU think they need the money more than I do??

And, the "decoupling" is simply a dodge to extract even MORE  
money from the ratepayers! No way!!

Thank you for representing the citizens!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Christian

  
Vail, AZ 85641-8972

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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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

There have been no COLA increases for either Social Security or CSRS and FERS (retirement programs for Federal retirees) for two years with the very real possibility that our senior citizens will be expected to carry the brunt of any cost cutting for at least an additional year, maybe more.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. Health insurance costs have skyrocketed and will do so again for 2012. Right now I clear less money per month than I did in 2005. Every utility has risen as well.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet with less and less. By letting all these increases occur without due thought to the consequences, there will continue to be more and more people losing their homes. When it comes to the decision whether to pay exorbitant utilities or buy food or health insurance or pay rent/mortgages, I'm seeing nothing short of a disaster for the citizens of Arizona.

By voting for Southwest Gas to use fiscal responsibility instead of always increasing their rates without doing any cost cutting measures, you will help keep the citizens of Arizona afloat in this time of 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,

Ms. Janie Bressler

[REDACTED]  
Sahuarita, AZ 85629-8672

Aug 8, 2011

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

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I cannot see where there should be an increase in gas and we will not get a COLA increase in who knows how long with the shape that this government is in. We the people should be getting a raise not the utilities. When are these greedy people going to stop. This raise will probably only line the pockets of the vip of the company.

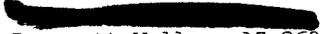
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Adrian Ladouceur

  
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-5513

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. John Lurie

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85028-2930  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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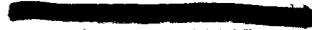
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Sincerely,

Mr. erland frojelin

  
surprise, AZ 85387

Aug 8, 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 daily living expenses are way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Do not vote to permit the raise in gas rates during this stressful period in our history.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Bernard Young

[REDACTED]  
Gilbert, AZ 85233-6539  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Many Seniors are having a tough time paying for their medicine. Don't put them in jeopardy by having to choose between pay a high gas bill to heat their homes or getting the medicine they 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,

Mrs. Susan Radford

Tucson, AZ 85756-9461

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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NOW ISN'T THE TIME to allow this kind of rate hike !!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Marc Habern

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85048-8712  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Roberta Burnett  
[REDACTED]  
Tempe, AZ 85282-3834

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carolyn Mason

  
Prescott, AZ 86301-4842

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I was laid off over 2 years ago with no job prospects in sight.

I cannot afford an increase. My mortgage is upside down.

Who is going to help me. I do not qualify for assistance

because I pay my bills on time. How sad is 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,

Ms. Patricia Hickson  
[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85388-1760

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. shaqmie tope  
[REDACTED]

Black Canyon City, AZ 85324-9660

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor  
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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lynne DeSpain

[REDACTED]  
Bisbee, AZ 85603-9761

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Judith Philpot

  
Parker, AZ 85344-7025

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Allan Ross

[REDACTED]  
Goodyear, AZ 85338-5784  
[REDACTED]

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Anne-Marie Stephens

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85713-4362  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Please do not increase the cost of natural gas.  
Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.  
We can not afford another increase of anything and the cost of fuel dropped today when the stock market dived.

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

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

Thank you.  
Sincerely,

Eric Sofield  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85008

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Eric Sofield  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85008-3056  
[REDACTED]

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How have your costs gone up? we are in an area where natural gas should be going down. Where have you explored for gas in the western states?

How much, if it is raised, will go to the government for taxes?

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Green  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85715-3415  
[REDACTED]

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Daniel Rupp

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85704-2027  
[REDACTED]

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. daniel crancer

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85051-3630  
[REDACTED]

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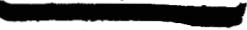
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Ms. Emily Alexander

  
Phoenix, AZ 85022-2107

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas Ference  
[REDACTED]  
Prescott, AZ 86303-6452  
[REDACTED]

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Higher gas rates will only add to the burdens they bear. On a personal note, I have always tried to use gas rather than electric since I moved to Arizona in an effort to reduce my utility bills and help preserve the environment because of the high costs of generating electricity. It now appears that SW Gas wants to go where electric companies have been, and I truly believe it is more out of greed than necessity. Please do not approve 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,

Mr. John Davis

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85032-7758  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Start making Gas an alternative to gasoline then Southwest could make a lot of money without raising prices on Arizonans.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Leo Whittenburg  
[REDACTED]  
Tempe, AZ 85281-6451  
[REDACTED]

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. PATRICIA BYERS  
[REDACTED]  
Kingman, AZ 86401-4069  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work and the stock market is tanking. Many retired folks rely on income from their 401ks and Mutual fund investments that are taking severe hits, due to our politicians lack of leadership.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years and at the current rate, they will probably never arrive.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. Sales taxes were raised in Arizona to make up for shortfalls.

As a result of all or these things, many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Please do not allow SW gas to raise their rates by such a high 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,

Mr. James Logan

[REDACTED]  
Chandler, AZ 85249-6976  
[REDACTED]

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Janet Flood

[REDACTED]  
Peoria, AZ 85382-5425  
[REDACTED]

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Stock market is WAY down.

Many families have lost their homes.

Does it seem to you commissioners that this is the right time to be raising gas rates?

Please seriously reconsider this issue.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Arnold

[REDACTED]  
Peoria, AZ 85382-2672  
[REDACTED]

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We are on a fixed income, how much more of the load can the retired carry.?

Please vote No on the southwest Gas increase request

Donald DeSanze  
256 N. Cape Royal Dr.  
Green Valley, AZ. 85614

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald De Sanze  
[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5940  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. gilbert moreno

  
Sahuarita, AZ 85629-9740

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. donna p

[REDACTED]  
Apache Junction, AZ 85120-8771  
[REDACTED]

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This is not the time to increase our gas rates. So many people are hurting financially due to the already high cost of living. Please do not add to the burden we are already carrying on our shoulders. In other words, give us 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. Joseph Lema

Tucson, AZ 85715-5136

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I am on Social Security Disability. It is important NOT to raise the price of gas. Please.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Pesce

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85716-1023  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor  
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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gloria Guillory

  
Surprise, AZ 85374-2045

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Rosanna Ikaika

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85705-1852

[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Personally our own household income has dropped considerably and will continue to do so as the construction industry remains unsteady. If Southwest Gas raises it's rates, it will become a true hardship on my family.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Helen Ruelas  
[REDACTED]  
Avondale, AZ 85392-3430

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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We are senior citizens trying to make ends meet and now SW Gas wants an increase? There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two 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,

Mrs. Phyllis Wilson

  
Sun City, AZ 85351-1610

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Rob Ameln

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85745-9317

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Magee

Tucson, AZ 85711-3013

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. madeleine lav

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85739-2434

[REDACTED]

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Seniors can not afford this raise we are paying high medical and have not had a raise in our ss for 2 yrs.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. jennifer stukas

[REDACTED]  
Waddell, AZ 85355-7810  
[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. Taina Compagnet

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85716-4644  
[REDACTED]

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1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor  
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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

This will put a further burden on the people of AZ. We are all facing more cuts to programs that we depend on. Don't add more to the load.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Huber

  
Phoenix, AZ 85027

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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It is difficult to justify a rate increase of this size. The public is enduring reduced or completely stagnant income. There has been no cola. What is the rationale for an increase of this magnitude?

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Davis

[REDACTED]  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-5722  
[REDACTED]

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As for myself I am a widow trying to make due on survivors benefits and a part time 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,

Mrs. Mary Shrewsbury

Patagonia, AZ 85624-1285

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

And, our meager investment incomes are droppig, dropping, dropping.

Taxes, with our debt so high, are bound to go up.

The middle is being squeezed to death!!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Jane Hillerson

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85266-2739  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bill Kochenderfer

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85012-1857  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. MARK MICHAEL

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
Laveen, AZ 85339-2272

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With the stock market down so far I know my retirement income is dropping significantly !!

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gary Kemp

[REDACTED]  
San Tan Valley, AZ 85140-5884  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Kooker

[REDACTED]  
Vail, AZ 85641-9069  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. JEANNETTE JACKMAN

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85730-6137  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Madeline Lopez

[REDACTED]  
Peoria, AZ 85345-8184

[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ken LaKind  
[REDACTED]  
Peoria, AZ 85382-5166

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Hank Thompson  
[REDACTED]  
Maricopa, AZ 85138-8687

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The rich have to stop getting richer. The rich also have to stop extracting from 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,

Ms. Josie Ramirez  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85713-4566  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.  
I haven't had a pay increase since 2006!

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.  
I am paying \$600 for health insurance  
Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I would like to have an increase too.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Georgeann Garritano

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Buckeye, AZ 85396-9274

Aug 8, 2011

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Susan Glenn

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85756-8948

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Edward Kenney

[REDACTED]  
Oro Valley, AZ 85737-7619

[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Dennis W & Leslie M King

[REDACTED]  
Anthem, AZ 85086-2969  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John C. Baird, Jr.

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85715-5446  
[REDACTED]

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We are struggling to make ends meet, please don't raise the rates wait for a better time when the economy improves and there are more jobs available.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Haley

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85731-8272  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. rosalino ruiz

Tucson, AZ 85714-2633

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Thousands of homes sit vacant, and thousands of Arizonans are still out of work. Surely the number of homes and businesses served are significantly down too, so why the need for extra fees?

Perhaps SW Gas needs to tighten it's belt as most of us have had to do.

The costs of almost everything have gone up, and there have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years.

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. Scott Meyers

[REDACTED]  
Glendale, AZ 85306-3117  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas Villarreal

[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85379-5910

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Chris Britt

  
Gilbert, AZ 85233-7403

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Burton Duy

Avondale, AZ 85323-8090

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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 PURDY

  
Phoenix, AZ 85028-3428

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ernest Mucci

Glendale AZ 85306-5031

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lynn Mollohan

[REDACTED]  
Gilbert, AZ 85296-4139

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 - or have you not noticed yet??

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years - when we need it MOST!!!

The cost of food and gasoline are way up - and we're all becoming a state of fixed incomes!!!

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet....I KNOW we are down to one 10 yr. old car (Chrysler), and no back-up plan for retirement anymore.....

WHY PENALIZE US 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,

Mrs. Kathleen Hilliker  
[REDACTED]  
Peoria, AZ 85382-5153

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. Judith Schnell

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85022-1668  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Linda Mattson

[REDACTED]  
Chandler, AZ 85224-5649

[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Much of Arizona is rural and these rural areas tend to be colder than the Phoenix area, it would be a real hardship for people to have to cut back on keeping their homes warm.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Jan Connors

  
Benson, AZ 85602-1879

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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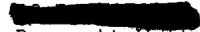
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Stephen Huffman

  
Prescott Valley, AZ 86312-7024

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Shirley Hensi

Peoria, AZ 85382-8556

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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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet, a 14% increase is ridiculous.

Southwest Gas should also not be allowed to "decouple"; if I use less gas, I should not be asked to subsidize their operations. A consumer should only pay for what they use.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Sherry Massie

Tucson, AZ 85748-3852

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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A rate increase should not be greater than the increase in the cost of living. Even that will put many people on fixed incomes or without work with less money for other necessities. Please be prudent in granting any rate increases. Thank you. Ruth Durham

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 K Durham

Wickenburg, AZ 85390-1058

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Melvin Mc Reynolds

[REDACTED]  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-1139  
[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,

Mr. AL ZEUKÉ

  
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86404-5924

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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. Bea Miller

Phoenix, AZ 85044-3843

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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We are all tightening our belts a bit these days of economic slowdown and uncertainty. It would be nice if we, as individuals, could somehow appeal to the public to give us more money just because we need it. Tighten your belts in these times--cut dividends, freeze salaries, become more efficient. You'll have plenty of time to gather more revenue once the economy gets back on track.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Hendee

[REDACTED]  
Sun City West, AZ 85375-2306

Aug 8, 2011

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

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I not only use gas for heating but for cooking, drying clothes and hot water heating as well. I can't afford a 14% increase in the cost of natural gas. My income has not ever gone up 14% in one year, even before I was retired!

Do not implement "decoupling", if my use goes down, I want my cost to decrease as well!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Reed

[REDACTED]  
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268-4100  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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As elected Commissioners, please don't grant the SWG, request to raise our rates.

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

Thank you

Lura-Beth Wareing  
[REDACTED]  
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. Lura-Beth Wareing  
[REDACTED]  
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253-1128

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Many AZ seniors are living off of Social Security only, some disabled Arizonans have only disability as income; thanks to new rules on AHCCCS, Kids Care, etc a large number of Arizonans are in even more dire straits than before.

A 14% increase for SW Gas is too much: even though the cost of doing business is higher, that much of an increase might only accomplish more people becoming delinquent on paying their 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. d'Anne MacNeil

Mesa, AZ 85202-5766

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,

Mr. Larry Correia

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85051-1142  
[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,

Mr. francois hawaux  
[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85374-5642  
[REDACTED]

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, including me.

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

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. Products are being downsized, like granola bars and milk containers, but the price stays the same. Same price, 18-20% less product.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

This cycle of price hikes for less product has got to stop or America will become the land of the rich and home of the poor.

Tell these companies to cut salaries to their top executives if they want to break even!!!!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. K Schroeder

[REDACTED]  
Tempe, AZ 85281-5460

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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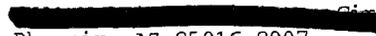
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kathleen Butler

  
Phoenix, AZ 85016-8907

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Given the state of the housing market in Arizona, I find it hard to believe that a company like Southwest Gas would have the nerve to request an increase of over 14%. And no to their request regarding their profit formula idea. With Arizona's hard times regarding building, lower selling prices on houses and people loosing their homes, there will be less gas used than in an expanding market. So if we use less of their product with we all will as a whole then we should be charged more!!! NO, NO, NO.

As elected positions its important for our elected officials to protect the people from large corporations who ask for unacceptable and unreasonable increases. We as voters will be watching how each member votes regarding this issue and will remember come election time.

Jerry A. Skene  
Barbara J. Skene

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Jerry Skene

[REDACTED]  
Gold Canyon, AZ 85118-1926

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Where are you minds? The oil and gas companies are the ones making money. There are not such raises in our incomes, if we have one.

Politicians need to get a grasp on all Americans and what politics have not done for them.

I can not wait till elections.

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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. Monte Ralstin

Tucson, AZ 85711-2854

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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Thousands of Arizonans are out of work. I am a teacher and my job is very insecure. In addition, I am one year from retirement. What will happen then to people like me who have to live on a fixed income with a lousy return on investments.

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

The cost of food and gasoline are way up and now our country's own financial security is in question.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

This is not the time to make more profits off the shirtless backs of the citizens of Arizona.

Harry Jennings

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Jennings

  
Tucson, AZ 85710-1261

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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,

Mrs. Pamela Nickison

Waddell, AZ 85355-4111

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. joyce corrington

Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-5404

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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There are 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 many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

Does this sound like it's the time to raise prices especially gas prices?

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. David Justice

  
Camp Verde, AZ 86322-4297

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I also cannot wait to see our property tax this year, home values have dropped 33 to 38 %, & I bet our tax rate will go up. Are not property taxes based on home value. We pay more & get less. What will be the straw that breaks the camels back!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Sullivan  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85719-3432  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Sincerely,

Mr. Gerald Feacher

Phoenix, AZ 85042-7040

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Mary Bergman  
[REDACTED]  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-5158

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. kenneth wiggins

[REDACTED]  
Thatcher, AZ 85552-5202

[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Vincent Calabrese  
[REDACTED]  
Gilbert, AZ 85296-2821

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Arline Giles

  
Sun City, AZ 85351-4603

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. BILL LUKE, JR

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85013-1523  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Nancy McNames

  
Goodyear, AZ 85395-8903

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Malka Braslow

  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-4523

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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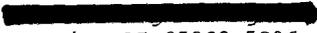
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Russell Brown

  
Peoria, AZ 85383-5206

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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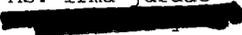
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Sincerely,

Ms. irma jurado

  
Phoenix, AZ 85014-1248

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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. Billy Florence

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85710-3010

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And more recently, as a result of the debt ceiling controversy, we may see adverse results that may aggravate the already critical financial crisis that we face day after 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,

Mr. Victor Miranda-Cruz

[REDACTED]  
Tempe, AZ 85283-1354

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The increase of housing in Arizona using natural gas to heat there homes and power there appliances came about due to Southwest promotions on how this was the more cost efficient way to go. Now you want to punish individuals by raising there cost for choosing to use natural gas in there homes. Another slap in the face. Your just like beat the peak on water useage. Arizona was consistantly beating the peak so the water company raised the cost per gal of water. First slap in the face.

Then Arizona decides to jump on the band wagon and have thousands of homes built and allow financing to people who can't afford them. Just like in the 80's with the great Balloon Payments. Individuals were suppose to save money and get raises from work to support refinancing when the balloon payment came due. But there were no raises and interest rates were sky high.

Quit making the public out to be idiots. Your making a tremendous profit now with no increase in cost. So just backoff for a few years and let us catch our breath from the last choking we just survived.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Ramona Powell

Tucson, AZ 85735-2335

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Cloud

[REDACTED]  
Anthem, AZ 85086-6706

[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mary Sue Miller

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85051-3970  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bion Smalley

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85704-7034  
[REDACTED]

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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 Reeves

[REDACTED]  
Benson, AZ 85602-6828  
[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.

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

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When I get my 14% pay increase I will more than happy to share the wealth. I don't see that happening any time soon.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Pollard

[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85019-2213  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. carol hencz

[REDACTED]  
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268-8425  
[REDACTED]

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

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And now the stock market has really taken a hit and will hurt everyone of us. Please do not let them raise the gas at this time. Those of us on a fixed income can not afford 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. Mary Jo Dullum

████████████████████  
Willcox, AZ 85643-2019

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.

Stop blaming and punishing working people!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Brett Breitwieser

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85014-4301  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Janice VrMeer

  
Sedona, AZ 86336-5045

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Miss Marty Hredzak  
[REDACTED]  
Dewey, AZ 86327-1873  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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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. My ends have met and they don't like each other.

Please do not justify this increase. These increases are killing us.

jim sikora

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 sikora

Tucson, AZ 85757-6847

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Natalie Klein  
[REDACTED]  
Peoria, AZ 85382-2218

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Brenda Price-Duarte

[REDACTED]  
Marana, AZ 85653-9202

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. michael lopez

  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-7244

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Estee Flynn

  
Scottsdale, AZ 85266-7036

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I'm on Social Security which means a fixed income & the Feds do not seem to be in any kind of hurry to give me and others like me an increase.

It would be nice if I could vote myself an increase.

Thanks for your help in keeping our costs down as much as possible.  
Clif Tait

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Clifton Tait

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85267-2963  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Dear commissioner Kennedy,

Thousands of Arizonans are out of work.

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

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet.

I am retired and depend on my Social Security and a small pension to pay my bills. An increase in utility rates would place a hardship on me and my family.

I need this money to pay for medicines and gas to get me to the doctors.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Rubio

  
Laveen, AZ 85339-7170

Aug 8, 2011

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Saeugling  
[REDACTED]  
Dewey, AZ 86327-5411  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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I am very concerned about the suggested raise in gas rates. I have recently retired, and my income will be about one-third of my previous income. This raise will be very difficult for me and my husband.

We have been out of town for two months, yet we still pay a gas bill. If it is raised, it will be difficult for us to pay both a Tucson bill and the gas bill in our summer location.\

Many Arizonans are out of work or are older and have a fixed income (and depleted savings). This raise in gas bills will be very difficult for us all.

Sincerely, Charlene M. Kampfe

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Charlene Kampfe  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85745-9589  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jackie Traylor  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85041-6575  
[REDACTED]

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Tell me why Southwest Gas thinks that they deserve a 14% increase when most Americans, especially in AZ are having to live with no employment, partial employment or underemployment.

Southwest gas executives should be embarrassed to represent a company that would even request an increase at this time. Will they be increasing their employees salaries by 14%?

Roger N. Grossbard

[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,

Dr. Roger Grossbard

[REDACTED]  
Surprise, AZ 85374-6238  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jan Reiter

  
Phoenix, AZ 85064-4351

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. richard holodnak

[REDACTED]  
San Tan Valley, AZ 85143-5825  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jayne Reynolds  
[REDACTED]  
Goodyear, AZ 85338  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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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.  
My own family is still affected by unemployment.

There have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. I live on a fixed income with no pension or savings.

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. As a result I drive a 2002 car at an average speed of 20 miles per hour and no further than 10 miles a trip.

Like many Arizonans I am struggling to make ends meet, although I have been disabled since 2011 and now my husband is as well I still try to have hope.

More and higher utility bills could well push us under the bus. I respectfully ask that you vote NO for big business and YES for the people.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Trainor

Surprise, AZ 85374-6887

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Nate McMullen

  
Tucson, AZ 85718-3921

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Long

[REDACTED]  
Mesa, AZ 85203-4708

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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There are city employees in Tucson who are forced to take unpaid furlough days, adding to the struggle.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Frederick Peryer

[REDACTED]

Tucson, AZ 85704-1594

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.

People barely able to pay their bills now can't afford to pay such a high rate hike.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Jerald Bench

Tucson, AZ 85705-3384

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. Stephen Phillips  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85704-6636  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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First of all, Public agency should consider people and their situation first.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Joseph Doh

Mesa, AZ 85207-2253

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Allen Collis

[REDACTED]  
Goodyear, AZ 85395-2130  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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This is another form of PRICE Gouging and no longer can this 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,

Mr. Harry Kaufman  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85008-2834

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. Robert Reed

  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001-9104

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. Jose Romero

[REDACTED]  
Litchfield Park, AZ 85340-5371  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 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. I am 80 years old! In my personal case, I lost my husband the day after Christmas 2010. I am trying to stay in my home and maintain it. Where is the consideration from SWG? What is THEIR problem as it compares to the rest of us?

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. Many Arizonans are out of work and struggling to make ends meet. Give up this rate increase idea at this time.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. R. Elaine Cummings

Tucson, AZ 85705-2135

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.

Tens of 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 up, way up.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. Do we really need to have more residents make exodus to other states?

Why not phase in the increase through credits, partnerships, cost averaging, etc.?

Thanks for your reading this note.

Bill Murphy  
5909 N. Brindle Ct.  
Prescott Valley AZ 86314

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Bill Murphy

[REDACTED]  
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-3807  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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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.

A 14 % increase is excessive and certainly out of touch with today's 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. Dennis Ehrenberger

[REDACTED]  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-5734  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Vivian Henrickson  
[REDACTED]  
Glendale, AZ 85308-8935  
[REDACTED]

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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 Benitez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Phoenix, AZ 85014-2061

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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The only increases that should be allowed in these troubled, uncertain times are those associated with legitimate increases in the cost of the product itself, natural 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. S. Terry Carter  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85018-3523  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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And those are just the basics. I am also a VA compensated 100% disabled veteran so no COLA from that either. Do you have no decency? Stop this 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. Brooks Groves

  
Phoenix, AZ 85045-1739

Aug 8, 2011

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

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i am on social security and every dollar counts.

please dont do this increase.

marv

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. marvin kizerian

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Tubac, AZ 85646-4277  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sandra Stokes

  
Cottonwood, AZ 86326-4803

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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This is not the time for this action.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Ali Fareghi

  
Marana, AZ 85658-4559

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Deanne French

  
Chandler, AZ 85249-2020

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Darla Peacock

Cave Creek, AZ 85331-2307

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. David W Otis  
[REDACTED]

Tucson, AZ 85710-4963

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

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This is definitely not the time for raises when the stock market is plummeting and my health care costs are rising all the time.

No 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,

Mrs. Lynne Damasco

  
Chandler, AZ 85249-8937

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ernest Smith

Scottsdale, AZ 85255-4115

Aug 8, 2011

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

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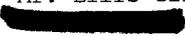
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ellis Gilbert

  
Glendale, AZ 85312-5303

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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. david brizel

Chandler, AZ 85226-2344

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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VOTE NO!!! ON ANY INCREASE.

Robert Thrailkill  
13825 N. Boswell Blvd

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Thrailkill  
[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-2926  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are living on fixed incomes, or even declining incomes.

Given all these factors, it is unreasonable to grant Southwest Gas a 14% increase in 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. William Foy

[REDACTED]  
Oro Valley, AZ 85737-9066

Aug 8, 2011

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

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How about suggesting to your employees that you cut their wages 14%? and your own?

Retirement does not equate to Golden 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,

Ms. Nora Peterson

[REDACTED]  
Yuma, AZ 85364-7241

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jack Larabee

  
Oro Valley, AZ 85755-5845

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

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jeanne Thompson  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85745-2676  
[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,

Ms. Heidi Beards

Tucson, AZ 85715-3323

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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 Curia

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85257-2637  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Natural Gas resources are being developed nationwide at rapid rates --  
no shortage, in face superfluous supply.

Pipelines exist from known source. Maintenance cost and billing should not be heavily inflationary.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Marshall Gurian

[REDACTED]  
Chandler, AZ 85286-5746  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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I live on a fixed income in my retirement. Every penny counts for me. I'll go without heat and use the sun to dry my laundry.

Please 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,

Ms. Mary P Honey

  
Phoenix, AZ 85020-4083

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

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Our income is limited without a foreseeable change in the future.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Barbara Schoepflin

[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-4304  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Phillip Schaffer

████████████████████  
Kingman, AZ 86409-2917  
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Carmen Evans Evans

  
Tucson, AZ 85718-4643

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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How about telling SW Gas Corp (and APS) to start holding the line on costs and profits? The public is required to cut back on expenses and extras; this should also apply to public utilities.

Every time the Corp. Commission allows a rate increase, especially to APS, people conserve on utility use and the company comes back to the Commission for another rate increase because their profits are being jeopardized! This is a ridiculous circle that must be broken!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Carol McCracken  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85051-1102

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Please don't make our lives any more difficult.

Sincerely  
Cheryl Cooper

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Cheryl Cooper

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Tucson, AZ 85730-2815

Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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As one of many living in Arizona on a fixed income and also one of many that has just had the value of their IRA account slashed by 25% by the huge drop in the stock market, now is not the time for me to absorb higher heating and cooking costs. I understand that Southwest Gas as a regulated company is assured a rate structure that guarantees profitability. However, I also know that profit is the remainder of revenue minus expenses. Now is not the time to balance this equation by increasing revenue. I'm sure that Southwest Gas management will tell you that they are doing everything possible to reduce expenses. However, there is always more "fat" to cut from budgets. It's just easier for them to increase revenue.

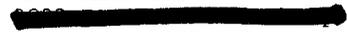
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Please vote NO on the South West Gas rate increase request!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Burns

  
Tucson, AZ 85749-8015

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Looking at a gas bill, incidental costs - including delivery of gas - are bigger than the cost of actual gas usage. While utility companies have nicked and dined us, the consumer, their profits are not hurting.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Turner  
522 [REDACTED]  
Bisbee, AZ 85603-1506

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. marcos velez

  
Tucson, AZ 85704-1087



Aug 8, 2011

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

Dear Commissioner Newman,

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Until this last week, I too was one of the thousands of Arizonans out of work. I am still not working full-time.

My wife is a city employee and has had her pay DECREASED by 11 days a year furloughed without pay. Also her pay has been frozen for over two years.

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

The cost of food and gasoline are way up. I understand you may need more operating capital but a 14% increase at this time in america's financial history is wrong.

Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet and can't afford another \$75 a year less to live 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,

Mr. William Black

[REDACTED]  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-6424  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Orion Niles

[REDACTED]  
Tumacacori, AZ 85640-0016  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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To raise those rates NOW compares to usury!! Especially for seniors like me who are on a very tight fixed income.

Please! Consider the implication in this economy--everyone should be trying to bring costs down, not up!

Thanks for listening--BUT that's not enough--DO something so this doesn't happen.

Tania Presby

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Tania Presby

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85747-9553  
[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,

Mrs. Joanne Wood Kozeba  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85254-1544  
[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,

Mr. Robert Cowles

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85704-5735  
[REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jean Smith

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-4433

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.

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. Steve Wells

  
Phoenix, AZ 85041-4406

Aug 8, 2011

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

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I also believe the price of Natural Gas come down in recent Mounths.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Geresy

Mohave Valley, AZ 86440-9224

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.

Dear Commissioner Kennedy,

Many thousands of Arizonans are unemployed, including my son in law for over a year.

I am a widow on Social Security and trying to save every penny with no cost of living increases

The cost of food and gasoline increase monthly. As a result most middle class and low income people are struggling to make ends meet.

I encourage you not to increase the rate for Southwest Gas and allow the decouple. This will be another added hardship burden along with the horrible downturn in the market after the debt increase vote. \$75 is too much of an increase.

Sheila Hill

[REDACTED]  
Tucson AZ 85748

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Sheila Hill

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85748-7054

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,

Mr. Benedict Elchlepp

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85746-9699

[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,

Mr. CHARLES S. YESSIAN

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85704-5841  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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MY DISABOLITY MONEY CAN'T TAK E ANOTHER BIGT HIT

FIRST GS THEM WATER THEN ELECTRI8C.

THEY'RE MAKING MONEY ON THE BACKS OF STRUGGLING 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,

Mr. SEYMOUR ROBINS

[REDACTED]  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-6157  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 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.

It is ridiculous for the raise - especially at this time. No one but the rich can afford to have prices raised and they are NOT paying their share.

Reconsider this option and PLEASE DO NOT RAISE HOME 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. Georgianna Lentz

[REDACTED]  
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268-4773

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.

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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 Muhlenberg

  
Mesa, AZ 85206-1408

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

Where are we going to get the money for such an increase???

You cannot just give in to the pressure of Southwest Gas without considering us, the people whom this is going to affect!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Deliana Noel

Tucson, AZ 85757-9361

Aug 8, 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, including me and my family!!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Ridgeway

[REDACTED]  
Apache Junction, AZ 85120-8755

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.

At a time when the economy is under attack and joblessness continues to be America's biggest problem, Many Arizonan's are struggling to make ends meet. Don't make it worse by adding to our burden.

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

The cost of food and gasoline are way up.

Do you really want Arizonans to go without heat this winter? We are already having to cut back on vital services, this will just make it 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. Rudolfo Aros

Tucson, AZ 85716-5008

Aug 8, 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.

Please do not allow a 14% increase in our gas rates!!!!

SW Gas does not need this increase to show a reasonable profit and maintain a steady flow of natural gas to the community.

Gary Zimmerman  
9767 E Hidden Green Drive  
Scottsdale, AZ 85262

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Zimmerman  
  
Scottsdale, AZ 85262-3611

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,

Mr. Jerry Johnson  
[REDACTED]  
Mesa, AZ 85209-4697

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. Winfried Schmutzler  
[REDACTED]  
Sun City West, AZ 85375-6123  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Please hold the line and tell Southwest Gas  
RATE INCREASE!

NO

Thank You

M. Rubino

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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. Michael Rubino

[REDACTED]  
Gilbert, AZ 85296-1923  
[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. William Noble Jr

[REDACTED]  
Glendale, AZ 85304-1729

Aug 8, 2011

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

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In addition, to the above, I am currently working toward having back surgery so I can try and at least get a part-time job. However, nothing is working right adding insult to injury and my next step will be a wheel chair. Everything is about as bleak as it can be and YOU WANT TO RAISE RATES. The Republicans wouldn't allow a tax increase so why should everyone else get a rate increase.

VOTE NO!!!!

Nancy C. Nelson  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85258

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Nancy Nelson  
[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85258-3701  
[REDACTED]

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,

Mrs. Rose Bastidas

[REDACTED]  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-5961  
[REDACTED]

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,

Mrs. Patricia Swanson

  
Casa Grande, AZ 85193-7946

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.

While everyone is suffering through this lousy economy, no one is worse off than our retired population. My clientele is comprised of members of this group and nearly all are being crushed by rising costs, while seeing their incomes remain static.

Please tell Southwest to reduce their expenses and forego any rate increases until the economy recovers. Plus, it would be a PR coup for them if they did.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Podzius, CSA

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85373-2052

[REDACTED]

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,

Mrs. Elaine Luzansky  
[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351

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.

My ASRS has been frozen for 5 years! I have received no Social Security COLA for 2 years! All the while costs of food and gasoline have risen dramatically.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Kathy Krucker

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85719-4304  
[REDACTED]

Aug 8, 2011

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

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This is bad timing to increase rates it would put us in a bad crisis..

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Gherna  
[REDACTED]  
Safford, AZ 85546-3747

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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. Tim Graves  
[REDACTED]

Phoenix, AZ 85006-2828  
[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.

This is not the time to even consider allowing any utilities to raise their rates. We have record numbers of Arizonans out of work; many are losing their homes... because OUR tax money was given carte blanche to banks to line their pockets. We are upside down in our mortgages... and banks are not willing to work with anyone that they believe they can squeeze the last pennies from.

Arizonans in Anthem are committing suicide at record numbers. I volunteer for the food bank and it is just tragic.. beyond tragic to see what is happening to the good people of this country because of greed. Since my home has depreciated 50%, we should be cutting utilities....

I am retired on state pension... no COLA for over 5 years. My pension is decreasing annually because my health insurance has gone up (over \$184 a month... just this last year).. In addition, there is no COLA for social security.

As an elected Commissioner, I beseech you to hold the line on any rate increase requests. This is not the time for companies to enjoy the spoils when the rest of us are sinking in debt.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Kristyne Strike

Carefree, AZ 85377-3834

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. Letty Gonzales

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85746-3943

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,

Ms. Jean Rodine

  
Phoenix, AZ 85069-7465

Aug 6, 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. Vernis Everett  
[REDACTED]  
Peoria, AZ 85381-9028  
[REDACTED]

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,

Ms. Jane Barlow  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, AZ 85014-2342  
[REDACTED]

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. John W. Hopkins  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85711-2428  
[REDACTED]

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,

Ms. wanda mcdade

Tucson, AZ 85715-5631

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. Andrea Fine

  
Scottsdale, AZ 85260-9099

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,

Mr. Gerald Hancock

[REDACTED]  
Holbrook, AZ 86025-2428  
[REDACTED]

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,

Mr. Dennis levenger

[REDACTED]  
Florence, AZ 85132-6650  
[REDACTED]

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. Donald Stanley

Chandler, AZ 85225-8718

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. Thomas Manfredi

  
Wickenburg, AZ 85390-3262

Aug 8, 2011

Commissioner Paul Newman  
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Ms. penny weiss

[REDACTED]  
Cave Creek, AZ 85331-6569  
[REDACTED]

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This is NOT the time for an increase in costs.

Thank you

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Bobbi Johnson

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Clarkdale, AZ 86324-3614  
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Mr. Robert Ritchey

  
Phoenix, AZ 85044-4928

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Mr. James Felter

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85266-2766  
[REDACTED]

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Mr. Bob Ledgerwood

  
Elfrida, AZ 85610-9012

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After the congressional budget fiasco my retirement accounts have gone way down. That's my income and an increase of any kind of rate will kill me!

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Versluis  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85749-9402  
[REDACTED]

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Mr. Robert McInturff

[REDACTED]  
Sun City West, AZ 85375-3041  
[REDACTED]

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Mr. Warren McIlvoy

  
Phoenix, AZ 85028-1950

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Our Fixed Income does not go up. So please give us a Break. As Most retiree's we have NO Extra Money.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Francis Sedlow

  
Tucson, AZ 85757-1504

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I certainly am not making 14% more. There is no shortage of natural gas either!

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bill Jones

  
Tucson, AZ 85745-9639

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It's time for a break of the people of Arizona...we are getting no increases in income and it's unfair to raise rates at this time.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Mary Coolahan

Arizona City, AZ 85123-1167

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Sincerely,

Mr. Roland Moyneur

  
Florence, AZ 85132-6850

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Ms. LindaLinda Weissmalik

[REDACTED]  
Mesa, AZ 85207-3166  
[REDACTED]

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Mr. Sylvester Ornelas  
[REDACTED]  
Sun City, AZ 85351-1505  
[REDACTED]

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The water company is also looking for a large increase.

Perhaps big business should learn to manage their monies as we have had to do as retirees.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jane Douglas

Surprise, AZ 85387-7543

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Stop bleeding the middle class if you want to stay in office.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Margaret Green

  
Tucson, AZ 85741-3514

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Many Arizonans are struggling to make ends meet. This is a critical time for citizens of Arizona. We seniors seem especially hit hard as are our less fortunate neighbors. It is time for our utilities to suck it up and share the reality with its consumers/

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Garrett Smith

Phoenix, AZ 85020-3228

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Mr. Melvin Brody

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-2796  
[REDACTED]

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Mr. Charles Tallberg

  
Phoenix, AZ 85027-5616

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Green Valley, AZ 85614-3524

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I cannot afford an increase in gas rates. There are simply too many struggling Arizonans struggling to ends meet, me among of them. We will do our job and cut back on use of gas or lower our heating temperatures and do everything we can to conserve. You should be helping the community to conserve like SRP and APS are doing, including providing rebates. Instead, you are trying to make our lives even more difficult than they already are. Please wait until we are back on our feet and are able to pay. You will not get more money. Just more people on the streets!

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 BOLING

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Phoenix, AZ 85015-2414  
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Mrs. Deborah Burrell  
[REDACTED]  
Peoria, AZ 85345-8241  
[REDACTED]

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Mr. John Mortensen

  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-6843

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[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85712-1023

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Mr. JOSEPH KELLER

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85710-7972

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Mr. Alfred Paley

[REDACTED]

Tucson, AZ 85704-2634

[REDACTED]

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Mr. George Godfrey

~~9515 W. Mountain View~~  
Peoria, AZ 85345

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I'm on a fix income just getting by.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Barrios

[REDACTED]  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442-7756

[REDACTED]

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Ms. Cathy Roberts  
[REDACTED]  
Yuma, AZ 85367-8426  
[REDACTED]

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Sun City West, AZ 85375-3358

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Mr. david milligan

  
Vail, AZ 85641-9097

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Mrs. Susan Birrell  
[REDACTED]  
Cave Creek, AZ 85331-6365

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It's bad enough that many can barely afford to keep their homes, now you want to freeze them to death?

This increase can be the difference in whether one can continue to keep a roof over their 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,

Ms. Lorrie Underwood  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85704-1548

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Sincerely,

Ms. Linda Redfield

  
Sahuarita, AZ 85629-8265

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Sincerely,

Mr. Julius Robinson  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85711-6615  
[REDACTED]

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Many Arizonans are out of work. For our older citizen, there have been no Social Security COLA increases for two years. The cost of food and gasoline have increased substantially.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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 Schermer

  
Sedona, AZ 86336-7416

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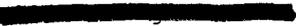
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Mrs. Barbara Nastri

  
Litchfield Park, AZ 85340-5529

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And, let's not forget that prices of natural gas have declined precipitously.

We are senior citizens and can not afford another rate increase from any utility. As a matter of fact, when are we going to see some decreases. Our dollar buying power has decreased without any cost of living increases. That's called a "fixed income". How about the utilities give back some of the huge profits they make.

As an elected Commissioner, please don'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. Vincent Fratarcangeli

  
Cave Creek, AZ 85331-9167

Aug 8, 2011

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

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Mr. Ron Mobley

  
Peoria, AZ 85383-2505

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Janice Brown

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Sincerely,

Ms. Janice Brown

[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85756-9615  
[REDACTED]

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Ms. Miriam Hollingshead

[REDACTED]  
Sun City West, AZ 85375-2636  
[REDACTED]

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Mr. Patrick Sloan, CPA

[REDACTED]  
Scottsdale, AZ 85254-5113  
[REDACTED]

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Ms. Wanda Sharrieff  
[REDACTED]  
Tempe, AZ 85283-5016  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Miss Mary Mickelson

  
Phoenix, AZ 85018-8128

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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Clewis  
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Tempe, AZ 85283-1944

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I don't use Gas anymore but I used to and I think this request is outrageous.

I had wished I did but now I see the folly of my ways...It appears that SWG has joined Dick Cheney's gang of Power thieves and greedy bastards.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Dewey Hopper

  
Scottsdale, AZ 85254-2868

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Mr. Ted Kobziak

Mesa, AZ 85209-1188

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Mrs. Lynn Tilson

[REDACTED]  
Yuma, AZ 85364-2252  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Mr. j main

  
Phoenix, AZ 85015-3908

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Ms. Alberta Gruber

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Phoenix, AZ 85013-1830

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Mr. John Simonson

Surprise, AZ 85378-2512

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There is a overabundance of natural gas, why should anyone have to pay more????

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Earl Leibforth  
[REDACTED]  
Tucson, AZ 85743-5456  
[REDACTED]