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Supporting energy  
efficiency & decoupling

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~~RE: Arizona Public Service Rate Case E-01345A-11-0224,~~  
and Southwest Gas Rate Case G-01551A-10-0458

Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

Hello, I am an APS customer and am concerned about the current utility business model that grants consumers a financial incentive to use more energy instead of less. Conservation of our energy resources is of vital importance in this day and age. The solution to this issue would be to implement a decoupling policy of the utility companies. The profit derived by all utility companies should stem from how many customers they sign up and how much energy they are saving, not on how much energy they are using. I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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RE: Arizona Public Service Rate Case E-01345A-11-0224;  
and Southwest Gas Rate Case G-01551A-10-0458

Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

I am both an APS and a SW Gas customer but, even if I were not, it is in every Arizonan's interest to increase energy efficiency. We are experiencing not only economic and health crises but a climate crisis wherein it would be irresponsible not to focus on efficient, healthy, and economically smart energy policies. The alternative is creating waste, contributing to health challenges we are already suffering, and causing more Arizonans to choose between energy and basic needs - likely losing many customers altogether. I hope you will consider it a no-brainer to implement incentives to use less energy and increased efficiency as well as decoupling policies. Be an Arizona shining star! Thank you for your work on this critical issue.

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Sincerely,

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RE: Arizona Public Service Rate Case E-01345A-11-0224;  
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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

I am absolutely boggled that there is a financial incentive for APS, Southwest Gas and other utilities to use more energy instead of less. I am a Southwest Gas customer and consider energy efficiency a high priority in my home. Utilities should have an incentive to use less, not more, energy through strong energy efficiency and decoupling policies and the Commission should be in the forefront of such policies.

Sincerely,

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RE: Arizona Public Service Rate Case E-01345A-11-0224;  
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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

As an APS and SW Gas customer, I strongly support energy efficiency programs and decoupling. Efficiency standards help create jobs, reduce carbon emissions, promotes public health and saves money. I want the utilities to use less, not more, energy through efficiency programs and decoupling policies. Thank you for the work you do on decoupling and efficiency.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

Even if it costs more to begin with I am for a better system like bundle/unbundle.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

As an APS customer I am very disappointed in the commissions stance on the use of energy, that rather than encouraging less usage, you are encouraging more. This at a time when it is crucial that we decrease such use. I would instead very much like to see the commission use incentives to encourage this. I hope that you will consider initiating such incentives. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

Please separate the incentives and make conservation a priority.

Sincerely,

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In order to Provide a wealthier, Cleaner  
Arizona, Please hop on board and  
Support decoupling and conservation Programs  
In the Southwest gas and Arizona  
Public Service rate cases.

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

As an APS consumer, I feel Arizona's utilities should encourage conservation, efficiency and decoupling policies. The use of less energy is a necessity for the planet if it is to be a decent place for citizens now and in the future. It is especially ridiculous for Arizona's sunshine to go to waste when it could help solve the pollution from fossil fuels and depletion of other energy resources. Stressing energy independence is critical at this point in time. Please support what is good for Arizona's human and ecological health as well as Arizona's long term economy by supporting science based energy conservation and the development of energy efficiency methods of energy production. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

I am a SW Gas customer and APS customer. I would like to see our state conserve energy rather than encourage its use.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

I want to support energy efficiency and conservation. Not over use.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

I am a 20 + year Southwest Gas customer. I try and keep my usage low for my financial benefit and for the benefit of society at large. I think there should be incentives for utility companies to work with their customers on energy conservation as a long-term strategy in lieu of foregoing some short-term profits.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

I am writing in support of strong energy efficiency and decoupling policies. This issue is important to me because I see our need for efficient, sustainable energy sources. Not only do I believe it will save us money, but it's quicker & cleaner. I drive to work every morning down the 51, up the 202 from Central Phoenix to Tempe. I see the ugly gray smog that hangs over the valley. It is literally sickening and it's clear we need to start looking at cleaner more efficient sources of energy. I am a Southwest Gas customer and I would like to see incentives to use less, not more, energy through strong efficiency and decoupling policies. Thank your work on this & other important issues!

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

Please incentivize all Arizona stakeholders to use less energy not more.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

As an APS and Unisource customer, I support decoupling energy fees from the amount of energy used per month. In other words, I would like to pay a fixed rate for my energy consumption based on my usage level - and not on the number of kWhs of electricity or CCF of gas I use. I am also an AARP member, and I understand the need to keep energy rates low for fixed income seniors. Therefore the rate structure should be set up to encourage conservation. If you are a very low energy user, as many older people are, you pay a low fixed rate. If the utility can figure out how to bring that energy to you without using any coal or natural gas or uranium, then they make a great profit. And that is good. If we are high energy users, we also pay a fixed rate, but much higher than the low energy users. This will encourage conservation on our part. As it is now, the utilities make more money if we all waste energy. That's just stupid. We must create incentives for the utilities to help us conserve while keeping them profitable. Thanks for taking this on. We have been asking for decoupling for many years. It's about time it gets done.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

Energy is one of the world's biggest concerns. We need to be doing everything we can to conserve, while we create newer and cleaner ways of generating it. I am an APS customer, about to go with a solar lease. The public utility structuring of rates is almost penalizing me for doing so. Backwards if you ask me. We should be lured by incentives to make these changes. Our utility providers should create incentives to use less, not more, energy through strong energy efficiency and decoupling policies. Thank you for your work on this important issue.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

We need to cut energy use to limit the incidental emission of gases that contribute to global warming, and in the case of energy generated by burning coal, to stop releasing health-damaging material into the environment.

Sincerely,

Frank Wyse  
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Customer in support  
of decoupling

Re: APS rate case, #E-01345A-11-<sup>0294</sup>~~0065~~ and SW Gas rate case, #G-01551A-10-0458

Dear Chairman Pierce and Commissioners:

I am an APS customer, a Southwest Gas customer, and I support both energy efficiency and decoupling.

It seems to me that if the utilities were financially encouraged to save electricity and gas, then APS and Southwest Gas would have to produce less energy and build fewer expensive plants. Using less energy would keep my bills down and decrease the amount of pollution that is responsible for multiple health problems (like asthma) here in Arizona.

Please support energy efficiency and decoupling in the upcoming rate case to help Arizonans like myself!

Thank you,

Phiamon Dysart  
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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

One of the best ways that Arizonan's consider to save energy is to simply use less, because that is logical, it makes sense. Incentives that encourage the use of more energy are simply not in the interests of the public. The generation of electrical energy in our state is often dependent on the consumption of fossil fuels. The burning of fossil fuels contributes to air pollution and generates waste. The incentives offered to utility companies to use more energy simply should not be part of our state's strategy to move to a cleaner and more sustainable energy production. The opposite incentive is more likely to create the type of change that we all agree is needed. If consumers and private corporations, like the utility companies, are encouraged to use less energy by the granting of incentives for using less energy, then more conservation of resources will occur and less of the poisons created by burning fossil fuels will be spewed into our environment. Please do something to move our state and its businesses towards a cleaner and more sustainable energy production. End the incentives that encourage increasing energy usage.

Sincerely,

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Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

I use energy bought from both A.P.S. and Southwest Gas Your efforts have been commendable, but please use your power to make us pay for the power we use without rewarding the utilities for our using as much power as possible. Energy efficiency should be one of your prime goals.

Sincerely,

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