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Commissioners
Arizona Corporation Commission

Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

Docket Number: E-01345A-16-0036 *f E-01345A-16-0123*

I am writing to urge you to say no to the proposed APS rate hike.

While I understand the need for APS to maintain a solvent state in order to continue their ability to provide their customers with electricity, it seems that every time I and my fellow APS customers try to reduce our electric bills (APS seems to always be asking us to reduce our electrical use), APS files a need to in some fashion, squeeze more monies from their captive users.

Should APS continue to ask for and receive approval for more monies from it's customer base in the form of rate readjustments or out right rate increases, at some point, there will be a very large portion of the aging population of this state that lives under APS's electrical distribution system that are going to have to make some very hard choices between food, shelter, medical and utility bills. These ever escalating expenses may very well shift some of the burden for the costs of these associated expenses on to the shoulders of the state.

As an APS customer, the need for APS to invest in costly generation, transmission and distribution is reduced when I reduce my electricity use. However, if APS increases its monthly fixed fee, consumers who work hard to conserve energy and be more energy efficient can't do anything to reduce that fee. That isn't fair. Please oppose any increase to the basic service charge.

Please also vote no on mandatory residential demand charges. I appreciate that the Commission did not approve these charges in its recent decisions on the UNS Electric and TEP rate cases. Please continue that trend. Charging consumers for the maximum amount of demand used in only one hour of the month is likely to increase what consumers pay each month and decrease incentives to reduce energy use.

Please say no to unfair utility charges.

Sincerely,

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