Thanks for your note. I understand why you are upset, but things may not be as you fear. Your eyes don't need to bleed. No decision has been made yet. Trust me, you won't pay for any electricity that flows out of state. You won't be paying for fancy brand-building advertising or executive perks or unnecessary power plants.

You ask, "are you insane?" Lee, we haven't done anything yet. We're working through this process and at the end we'll know all the facts. At that time I hope I'll have proven to you I am not insane. No one should assume BHC's numbers are correct, and no one should assume they are lies, either.

I promise I'm working hard on this. I don't want your utility bill to be one penny more than it has to be.

Thanks for taking the time to write, Lee. Let me know if there are specific questions I can answer for you.

Dusty

Dusty,

I remember that I was so impressed with you when I met you at the Pennington County Fair Grounds when you were first running for your office. I have never forgotten that day. I believed you would be good for all of us and I voted for you. I am not happy that a company can increase rates for the reason they are. You explain to me why you and your co-hearts will give them the ok. When I read their reason for the increase, it made my eyes bleed. I sure as heck can't and neither can anyone I know go to their employer and make a statement like this. Hey Mr. Smith I need you to increase my wages so I can re-coop my investment on my new furnace and water for my home. Are you insane? I have to save my money or profits to afford any improvements to my home, MY INVESTMENT. We will not even use the electric they will produce. Let the people who will receive the elec pay for the usage. When I start consuming it I will than pay for it. This is a perfect example of what is wrong with the thinking in AMERICA. Dusty, be fair and decline their increase. Let them use the capitol they already have. Waiting your response. Lee Dennison Rapid City SD

Lee,