

**Sent:** Sunday, December 09, 2012 9:36 PM

**To:** Nelson, Chris; Fiegen, Kristie; Hanson, Gary (PUC)

**Subject:** Re: Excel Rate Increase

Dear South Dakota PUC Commissioners,

Please do not allow the Exel increase to go through. It is unneeded and if Exel wishes to trim their spending (Corp. Jet) versus passing on their excessive spending, which they claim are for prior improvements, on to their customers it should not go unchallenged . Where is the Voice for South Dakota's People that we elected? I truly hope none of the three of you are in the back pocket of this company. They certainly do not need a double-digit percentage increase when our state, though doing much better than most, is not seeing these kind of income increase amongst its people. Thank you for your time and hope all of you do the right thing.

Tim Audus