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UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Dear PUC,

Please consider carefully the proposed
12.5% increase for Xcel Energy.
When people are going without
increases in their income or even
losing jobs or having reductions
in hours - making this increase
is not the direction to go.

Further, the amount of the increase
being proposed is especially
questionable. I'm sure they can
find many cost-cutting things they
can do - even looking at salaries,
etc of many of their executives
and other managers (like many
of the rest of people with low/middle
income or those on Soc. Sec. are
doing as they try to live on less
food, etc).

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