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Mr. Hanson,

As promised, I have been following the PUC actions on the request from Excel energy regarding their latest rate increase. I wanted to take this time to thank you for the information you provided and responses you offered early on in this process; when the request was first formally put forth by Excel Energy.

While no one likes increases in their electrical rates, I do feel like the commission in this instance, took my concerns and gave them consideration before rendering its decision. While this may be naivety on my part, I think the commission looked out for South Dakota Consumers in this case and made a fair and equitable decision that took the needs of consumers and that of the provider, into account before rendering a verdict.

The fact Excel Energy can make no Rate hike request until 2018, sits especially well with me as the largest part of my distain was the large rate request made by this provider two years consecutively. Further, the rate hike of one year earlier I believe was also strongly evaluated by the Commission when determining the allowed rate increase as it pertained to this request.

Your job is important, but never easy. Thank you for your correspondence during the last year, provided documentation, and listening to my concerns as a consumer and citizen.

Regards,

David Steele