

Dear PUC Commissioners

Xcel Energys request for a 15% rate hike should not be approved. I realize they have costs going up I would respectfully request it would be reduced to 6 or 7% because I have no way of absorbing anything more than that. Senior people on social security are struggling. Our costs for food RX's and medical care are skyrocketing. Insurance Real estate taxes are forcing us from our homes. Please include this statement to be included in the final docket. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours Truly
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