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February 9, 2001

Tim D. Steplitus
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Re: Case No. U-12752, Consumers Energy Company

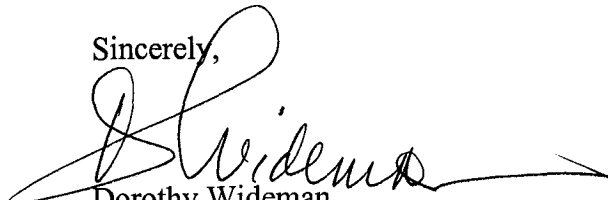
Dear Mr. Steplitus:

Thank you for writing and expressing your concerns about the increase in gas rates proposed by Consumers Energy Company.

The Commission has received other letters that oppose the proposed rate increases. The evidentiary hearing phase of the case is underway. The Commission will issue its decision and order after carefully reviewing the record and the established facts.

Your letter has been placed in our file for this case and is available to the Commission for review. We have also sent a copy of your letter to all parties to Case No. U-12752.

Sincerely,



Dorothy Wideman
Executive Secretary

c: Parties to Case No. U-12752
Gas Division
Docket file

Pillon, Jeffrey @PSCES@CIS

U-12752

From: Bogle, Richard J @PSCES@CIS
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2001 10:33 AM
To: Pillon, Jeffrey @PSCES@CIS
Cc: Bokram, William K @PSCGAS@CIS
Subject: FW: Proposed Natural Gas Price Hike

Importance: High

-----Original Message-----

From: Steplitus, Tim D. [mailto:TSteplitus@SedgwickCMS.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2001 3:25 PM
To: 'mpsc.webmaster@cis.state.mi.us'
Subject: Proposed Natural Gas Price Hike
Importance: High

To whom it may concern,

I am a concerned citizen of Michigan, in regards to the proposed 100% increase in natural gas prices. This must be stopped !!! We should not have to pay such ridiculous rates just because of Consumer Power's greed. This would absolutely kill the Michigan economy. How are the poor supposed to pay these proposed huge gas bills ?? Especially, the ones on a fixed income. Natural gas is everywhere, it just needs to be harvested and distributed in a more economical way. I could see a 5% or 10% increase, but not a 100% increase. It seems to me that this increase is just coming about since we have a new president.

KEEP THE CAP ON THESE PRICES, OR WE ARE IN FOR SOME ECONOMIC DOOM AND GLOOM.
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Consumers Power does not need to rape the people of Michigan of their hard earned money !!!!!

If there was a cheaper company to go to, I would. But unfortunately I do not have a choice !!!!!!! I'm stuck with Consumer's Power for now.

Thanks,
Tim Steplitus