

Recipient: Michigan Public Service Commission Case No. U-17895

Letter: Greetings,

I hereby petition the Michigan Public Service Commission to lower residential rates in the Upper Peninsula Power Company, Case No. U-17895, docket.

# Comments

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Kris Tienhaara	Laurium, MI	2016-08-30	The bills are insane!
Tammie Dupuis	Ahmeek, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are astronomical
Stacia Ward	South Range, MI	2016-08-30	Tired of UPPCOs high rates. How can families afford to live when we are paying so much for power?!
Greg Givens	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO's rates are too high already.
Laura Shambaugh	Midland, TX	2016-08-30	The rates need to be lowered not higher! We have the highest rates in the state and some of the highest in the nation!
donna duprie	Germfask, MI	2016-08-30	my bills are to high now can not afford their rates am an oxygen user so mmmmy bills are way to high
Steph Monette	Mohawk, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are out of control.
Arrietta Karvonen	Moses Lake, WA	2016-08-30	I'm tired of all the price hikes. There's no need to pay such high prices
Richard Fezzey	Hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	Their rates are already insanely high & it creates a hardship monthly trying to scrape up the money to pay their bill plus all the crazy- illegal sounding surcharges they tack on.
Crystal Francois	Pelkie, MI	2016-08-30	I can't afford to pay my electric bill with it being over 400 a month
Gene Mensch	Nisula, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCo does NOTHING to help this family, and has not provided answers to SIMPLE questions regarding our growing monthly bill. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH
Jenia Beaudry	ISHPEMING, MI	2016-08-30	we can can't even make the monthly payment now with trying to play catch up all the time...it's insane when out electric bill is the most expensive bill in the house and that is including the car payment! how do they expect people to pay an increase when we are maxed out as is!
Vern Harlock	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are too high, Bill is \$300+ every month with nothing major drawing electricity
Matthew Brodersen	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	I cannot afford \$300 a month for electric. I pay more for "transmission" than I do for the power itself!! I shouldn't have to choose between feeding my children or feeding the glut of a greedy power company.
Dawn Burton	Germfask, MI	2016-08-30	Electrical rates for UPPCO are outrageous and unaffordable! No one should have to choose between buying food or paying their electric bill!!!!
Kristin Gipp	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	\$300+ monthly electric bill is absolutely absurd, and it's summer when it's daylight til 10pm! You crooks can shove it!
Jason Jaehnig	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO's rates are already ridiculously high and they want to make them even higher?? Ha! They need to be requesting a major decrease instead! No reason our rates should be almost double others. The people of the UP can't afford it!
Jay Andrews	Painesdale, MI	2016-08-30	Highway robbery....
Sarah Koski	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because I pay more for electricity than any other utility! Sometimes double what I do others. I am sick of their monopoly. I understand that we're isolated... that doesn't mean they should be allowed to feed off of us like vultures.
Doug Makela	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	We need lower rates
Shane Johnson	Auburn, KY	2016-08-30	The rates are far to high for me to pay and support my family.

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Catherine Jordan	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are currently outrageous. My family is using the bare minimum amount of electricity (no a.c. - gas appliances) and my bills are still high. We watch TV in the dark. Sweating because it cost too much to turn on the fans. I'm constantly telling family to shut off lights because it's such a high budget item.
Jeff Cavis	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are way too high. I use energy efficient light bulbs, unplug everything electronic when not in use, and have energy efficient appliances and still can't lower my electric bill. Something has to be done!
tammy fontaine	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	these rate hikes are out of control
Lisa Wood	ISHPEMING, MI	2016-08-30	It is insane that this company gets away with the crap they do! Our electric bill is outrageous! Their answer to buy new electric appliances isn't the answer because WE HAVE & it went up!!!
Pete Taylor	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	electrical costs are unrealistic!!
Kathleen Dravland	Little Lake, MI	2016-08-30	We are senior citizens living on a fixed income. We cannot afford an increase!!! It is hard to afford what they are charging now!
Stephanie Johnson	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I pay too much now an increase is ridiculous
Steven Piirinen	Negaunee, MI	2016-08-30	My only regret to moving here is my power bill, averages double my old one from MBLP.
Nancy Simonick	Nadeau, MI	2016-08-30	The rate I pay for a single person is absolutely unmanageable .
Carrie Ivey	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	My rates are too high. My electric bills equal my house payments
Brendan Williamson	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are high to begin with. To hike it up more is ridiculous.
Elizabeth Reed	Hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	I am tired of rate hikes!
Kimberly Tober	Copper City, MI	2016-08-30	We have the highest electric rates in the State of Michigan. The rates are ridiculous.
Beverly Stachowicz	Caspian, MI	2016-08-30	My rates are to high!
Susan Hockings	Eagle Harbor Township, MI	2016-08-30	My bill contains a charge for actual electric usage, PLUS a charge (equal to the usage charge) for delivery, PLUS a daily usage fee, PLUS all the usual "incidentals" like taxes and surcharges. The result is a total three times higher than actual usage fee! And UPPCO feels like that's not enough?? I say This company needs to be investigated for overcharging its customers.... Enough is enough already!!
Angie Kolehmaimen	Toivola, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are outrageous.
Amy Jenich	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	I'm a one income household with children. I cannot afford a huge increase like this!
Jeff O'Connell	Laurium, MI	2016-08-30	Uppco needs to be investigated over price gouging
Amanda Chopp	atlantic mine, MI	2016-08-30	Uppco is getting out of control with their prices! Our wages aren't going up enough to cover such ridiculous rates!
Jennifer Garrow	Mohawk, MI	2016-08-30	They don't need anymore of our money. Absolute Greed!!
Ashley Heikkila	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	Crazy high prices!
Beth Anderson	LAKE LINDEN, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates in the Upper Peninsula are already higher than soooooo many other areas in the state and the nation.
Amy Lake	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-30	A hike is rediculous.
Ronald Corey	Copper Harbor, MI	2016-08-30	What UPPCO charges for residential customers is outrageous. I'm on a fixed income, and rates need to come down.
Lori Korpela	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO's rates are out of control.

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Karen LaBelle	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	This increase is absolutely ridiculous. Our UPPCO bills are already very high. This area is mainly a "fixed" income area, and an area that has a lot of seasonal work, which will ending in less than a week or so due to summer being over. So many people will be filing for unemployment. There are young families, whom would like to work, however jobs are not available. Yes, we are survivors up here, and we love this area, but when a utility company already charges you the highest rates then anywhere else, then wants to increase rates, we have to say no. That increase will be and could be the difference for people who need to buy medication, food, or pay on a different utility bill. People should not have to live that way. Also, UPPCO openly admits that they are having "glitches" with their billing system, people have not been getting their bills, and each one is unique to each customer. Hmm, that sounds unacceptable to me. Especially after a new computer/billing system. Maybe they should of made sure the system was working before implementing it. And if the system screws up, UPPCO should be eating that costs. But they are not, they are not only charging the customer for UPPCO mistakes, they are demanding sometimes a 2 month payment be paid by a due date. Excuse me. It's not our fault that UPPCO screws up. They also do not read meters every month. Maybe UPPCO needs to read the meters every single month. This estimated reading they do, is completely off the charts. I know personally, I have had an estimated bill of over \$350 then the next month when they do an actual read by bill was \$35. Excuse me, does this not raise any red flags that something is seriously wrong with UPPCOS system of reading meters and billing residents. When I asked then, they said they use the past 3-5 years of kilowatt usage to estimate the bill. Well, 5 years ago I had 5 people living in my home. But life happens, the kids grew up, moved out, I am down to having 2 people living in my home, and guarantee my kilowatt usage has dramatically decreased from 3-5 years ago. In fact, when I asked UPPCO about the high estimated bills, they even admitted to me that my kilowatt usage has decreased. When I asked them now that this was brought to their attention, I would like the estimated bills reconfigured, UPPCO SAID NO, and they told me I needed to start reading my own meter every other month and call it in. Excuse me..why is this my job?? So I am asking you to please say NO to UPPCOS price increases. Thank you
Scott Sapino	Hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	I'm sick of being ripped off.
Robin Swetch	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	I have a disabled husband and 2 school kids I work full time and just is not enough its the only bill I CAN NOT AFFORD
marlene spears	Germfask, MI	2016-08-30	Uppcos rates are extremely high! When is this going to stop? We cant take anymore! Is there no end?
Carrie Jenkins	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	I am signing because we are a one income family and out electrical rates are getting way to high for anyone to afford!
Mark Conklin	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCOs rates are the higher than they should be now. Another rate increase is totally unfair especially when there are no other options
Brian Berghefer	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Price gouging!!!!
stephanie pintar	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	The UPPCO bills are insane!
Danielle Rautio	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	My electric bill is already \$200 a month and if they raise the rate it will go up even more and I already struggle to get the \$200 a month o pay my bill this is absolutely ridiculous that they keep getting permission to raise the rate they need to be stopped.
katrina eastman	hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	i am tired of my rates going up and up ... being on fixed income this makes it difficult

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julie Velmer	Pelkie, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are too high.Cannot afford another hike
Anna Loar	Middlebury, CT	2016-08-30	I'm an UPPCO customer and we already pay outrageously high rates. Please do not allow them to raise rates any further--we are stuck in a monopoly controlled by UPPCO.
Bernard Conlon	Germfask, MI	2016-08-30	I cannot afford to pay exorbitant UPPCO rates.
mark panasiewicz	Pelkie, MI	2016-08-30	I'm Signing because UPPCO are crooks worse than the mafia.... My electric bills are insane.
Scott Colombe	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	Uppco rates are way too high, even for being in a rural area. I've heard that part of why rates are so expensive is that there are difficult places to get to in order to repair damaged lines. That is true, but how often do they really go out to those places? I would bet less than places that get tornadoes often, and even those places have lower rates than we do..
Lynn French	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because our rates are out of control!
Barry Harter	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Tired of over paying for power.
James Stenson	Mohawk, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are too high now!
Alisha Luoma	Little Lake, MI	2016-08-30	Affording your electric bill just dosent exist any more to due higher rates.
Betty Fish	Baraga, MI	2016-08-30	Want lower electric rates
mary simila	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are rediculous! No one can afford to have lights on!
Susan Tornberg	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I have been paying outrageous electric bills for years, and now they want to increase even more!!!! YIKES!
Rick Johnson	Atlantic Mine, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO's rates are ridiculously high!
Jacob Manchester	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	I am an UPPCO customer in Houghton County. Our electric rates and surcharges are out of control. There are other rural areas, with less dense populations, that have significantly lower rates. I am disgusted and outraged at the proposition of any rate increase.
Bruce Coppo	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Being on a fixed income it is getting harder and harder to pay these outrageous high power bills
Martha Dugdale	Toivola, MI	2016-08-30	I am an UPPCO customer and can't afford another rate increase!
robert anderson	Caspian, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are too high as it is!!!!
Melissa Maki	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	My bills exceed \$400
James Denomie	Baraga, MI	2016-08-30	High ratea
Dave McCloud	Madison, WI	2016-08-30	Our electric is crazy. If they are doing this rate hike then why?
Carrie Spriks	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-30	I am an UPPCO customer and feel their rates are unfair.
Emily Albro	Au Train, MI	2016-08-30	This is criminal. It's bad enough we are being screwed over by an illegal monopoly but now we are expected to pay double? I will sue if this happens.
Stephanie Harvala	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates have gotten out of control
Reino Karvonen	Copper City, MI	2016-08-30	I can't afford what they are charging now,let alone what a rate hike would be
Tanya Maki	Painesdale, MI	2016-08-30	The rates we pay for power is ridiculous!!!!
Alicia Marshall	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	We are paying the highest rates in all of the lower 48 states . We are being gouged beyond what we can afford .
Scott Hennessey	st paul, MN	2016-08-30	It's outrageous
Jamie Harter	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are just outrageous....
Marilyn Swift	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I don't want another rate increase.

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Ashley Barto	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	These rates are outrageous
Tamara Skoglund	Caspian, MI	2016-08-30	I have been saying for many years about how we are being taken advantage of here in the U.P of Michigan! If you look at your bill you will see that you pay more to have it delivered to your house than your monthly useage. It is like a double bill, we should all sig1n and be heard!!!!
edward laitila	Pelkie, MI	2016-08-30	How can the prices be so different between companies, this is not good for the people!!
Gerald Campbell	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Tired of the high power bills for someone who is hardly home.
Samantha Kerttu	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	There is no reason to raise our rates again. I wish another company would come in and give them some competition up here!!!!
Helen Gentile	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I am sick of paying high Bill's On 1,000 a month every penny counts.....
Sarah Seavoy	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because the taxes in Baraga Co are bad enough and now UPPCO is basically raping their customers. There is NO reasonable explanation as to why their rates are that much higher than their competitors. It's totally unfair!!!
James Schaaf	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are too high already
James Gherna	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I'm concerned about my electricity rates costing more
Bonita Geborkoff	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-30	these rates are horrible and every time you turn around, they are raising them again
Cathy Kelly	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	Increased UPPCO rates have increased to the ridiculous rates!!! This increase has hurt people that are on an budget. There are 2 of us in the household. My husband is on oxygen and medical equipment that uses electric....we are also on a fixed income. We can't handle these increases! Please stop!
Judy Morcom	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	On a fixed income & bills are starting to get too high & income stays the same.
Sue Raisanen	Menominee, MI	2016-08-30	We have a house on Rockland & the rates are so high we've had to stop using full size freg & hanging clothes to dry & turning off our hot water tank! It is crazy!
Joe Thompson	Atlantic Mine, MI	2016-08-30	I do not want a rate increase. Cost is high enough already!
Colleen Smetak	Caspian, MI	2016-08-30	These hikes are astronomical, how can one be expected to go from a 35 dollar a month bill to 125, now another increase.... that is plain crazy!!
Peggy Loonsfoot	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-30	Greedy pigs!
Kirk Soronen	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	We pay far too much for power!!!
Barb Hill	White Pine, MI	2016-08-30	Because u take advantage of us on a budget and who r going to be on a fixed income in a few years get with the program u charge 500 than back to 130 just not right
allan karvonen	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	Because it's true !!!! People can't afford this .this company is out of controll!!!!!!
Emily Bulmann	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	I am signing this because our electric at UPPCO is so high it's becoming unaffordable. My boyfriend and I have a house where we are very conscience of our electric usage. The lights are always off when we are not in the room and I even unplug things like phone chargers and lamps. My electric bill is \$70 in the summer!!!!!! Because everything in the U.P. Is so high I work a full time job and a part time job and my boyfriend works full time. What's going to happen when I have children and they leave the lights on all the time and you keep hiking the price?! How do you expect people to be able to keep affording your services?! I fear that in the future if things keep going the way they are going I will have to stop using UPPCO'S SERVICES.

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Thomas Vichich	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	U.P.P.CO rates seem too high now when compared with other rates in Upper Michigan
Michael Rastello	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	We pay too much already !!!
Justine Kilpatrick	Hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	I have a family to support!!
Jill Deno	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	The UPPCO rates are out of hand already. We have another home with a different power supplier and it's less than 1/4 of the price of UPPCO. They get enough of our money.
Maria Stanaway	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	It's getting ridiculous!!!!
Lori Sellers-Savoy	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	The rates we pay in Upper Peninsula are outrageous and unfair. We are being taken advantage of simply because we have no where else to go. I only wish UPPCO was not our only choice.
sheila sullivan	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	These rates are beyond ridiculous
Janelle Gronevelt	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	I am sick and tired of not being able to feed my family to pay our dam UPPCO bill every month
Jodi Poshak	Calumet Township, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are ridiculous!!! There is no reason for this!! Bunch of crooks
candy schmitt	Hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	My bills are OUTRAGEOUS !!! NEVER HAVE I HAD A BILL SO HIGH AS THIS MONTH !!!! NEVER
Judy Bonenfant	Laurium, MI	2016-08-30	We sit in the dark, use as little power as possible and still have very high bills!
Tom Javoroski	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	I can't afford the rates now !!!
Ayla LaRoe	Chassell, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because the rates are already incredibly high for an area where income levels ARE NOT.
Mandy Lord	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are insane my electric alone is double all my other bills and I have two ceiling fans running part time..i don't have air or cable tv so nothing running
Melissa Walters	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-30	I am an Uppco resident and have both my home and a small business serviced through them. It will be very difficult to pay such a drastic price hike for 2 locations, let alone 1. Please stop this from happening!!
Lynn Pender	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-30	The electricity rates are OUTRAGEOUS!!!!
Al Utzman	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	The electrical rates are crazy up here and there has got to be something done about it.
Marsha Wisniewski	Baraboo, WI	2016-08-30	Our rates are way out of proportion and we can't meet the costs!
Jennifer Olson	Hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	NO way I would be able to pay that.
Crystal Jarvi	Negaunee, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are insane and I've never heard of anyone paying more than I do!
Eric Lapine	Negaunee, MI	2016-08-30	Ridiculous energy rates.
Jennifer Pierce	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because, when I moved into my house 12 years ago I paid (at the most) \$50/month. Nothing has changed but the outrageous rates of UPPCO's service! This rate has tripled and is no longer affordable when coupled with the other utilities I pay. This gouging must be stopped, it is unethical.
Jennifer Reini	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	It's bullshit.they gotta find another alternative for people. I pay more for my power now than I ever did. People in upper michigan can't afford it .
Kenneth Kangas	Chassell, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are way too high.
Tina Starkey	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	My rates have increased nearly 30% over the last year with decrease of number of occupants using electric services
Stanley Victorovich	Gaastra, MI	2016-08-30	Why should we have to pay more than other Companies charge. It's ridiculous what we have to pay.

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Gerald Cadeau	Baraga, MI	2016-08-30	My wife and I live on a fixed income and it is very hard to make ends meet especially when you have almost a \$200 electric bill a month in a high efficiency house.
Olivia Rajacic	Baraga, MI	2016-08-30	My bill is outrageous!!!
Kim Spelich	Copper City, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are so HIGH.
Shannon Hancock	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	My electric bill has doubled in the past year, despite the fact that we've become more energy conscious. A rate hike for rates that are already double what most people in Michigan pay is ridiculous.
Amy Weeks	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	Our power bills are so high, and it is causing financial hardships for not only my family, but many others in the community.
Krista Viglione	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are entirely too high right now and we have a hard time paying it where it is right now. Decrease not increase.
Andrea Yarbrough	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Their rates keep going up and up but yet wages are going up and up why should the fat cats be putting more money in their pockets and taking it out from the little guys one bill at a time.
Joshua Willey	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO sucks!!!
Amy Hebert	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I live on a fixed income and cannot afford to pay higher rates. It's very sad when an electricity bill is more than a mortgage bill.
Sue Baratono	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	People on fixed incomes can't afford a large rate increase.
marcy barker	germfask, MI	2016-08-30	I pay more in electronic then other company and elder on fixed income need help.
Aaron Nault	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	My rates are absolutely fucking ridiculous. The company is clearly motivated by only profit rather than customer service.
Craig Poshak	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Power is outrageous. .
Eric bedore	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Tired of pain high power bills
Kim Hanson	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are too high, they have doubled in the past few years.
Barbara Radigan	Mohawk, MI	2016-08-30	We live on Lake Superior where winters are fierce and power outages common. We are elderly and on a fixed income.
Angel Cox	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I'm an upcco customer
James Klein II	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-30	This is a blaintant abuse of the limited availability of service providers. They can't do whatever they want and need to be stopped
Laura Smith	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are already borderline out of most people's ability to pay. Even with minimal electrical use.
Jordan jaehnicg	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	A monopolized system is an unfair, and illegal system. I struggle to pay my bills as it is and I work full time. This is proof of corporate greed, and it needs to stop. Time to stand up against this monopoly
Megan Hendrickson	Gulliver, MI	2016-08-30	These increases are ridiculous. We already pay through the nose, no need to pay more. Greedy people.
Roberta LaFave	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	My bill is to high and You no longer allow solar panels!
Barbara Duquette	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	The cost is outrageous!!! No need...
Josette Rader	Seguin, TX	2016-08-30	My children live in the UP and this is totally out of hand.
Amanda Gohl	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	My electric bill just went up \$60! It's now almost triple what I paid 10 years ago.
Dale Strieter	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are to high as is

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Cynthia Armitage	Republic, MI	2016-08-30	My bill is \$171.00 a month on the budget plan. I am the one at home for 90% of the year as my husband works away from home. This is an outrageous amount to pay.
PAUL OJA	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	Disabled... fixed income !
jeremy wright	laurium, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are already far too high!
Tara Nelson	Wells, MI	2016-08-30	I have UPPCO and my bill is ridiculous. Our power bill is sometimes more than our mortgage. And that's with updates on our house.
Carrie Hill	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	Can't afford upcco NOW, let alone a rate hike
Dan Walther	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I already pay to much for electricity
Jane Miller	Copper Harbor, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO rates are unreasonably high!
Ty Nesberg	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	It's already way out of hand. There is no need for yet another increase
heidi saily	Salt Lake City, UT	2016-08-30	I'm a UP native and I believe UPPCO to be crooks. Way to high rates!
Kelly McGrath	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	....the rates being charged by UPPCO are ridiculous and unsustainable for a great many people in the Upper Peninsula.
Dennis Niemisto	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are too high now.
Chris Basolo	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	Its a joke what they charge up here. I swithched to all led lights and hardly run any lights at night.
PATRICK ROGAN	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	This is getting ridiculous!!
Chris Godfrey	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	People have a hard enough time as it is making it through the month and staying ahead on bills. Something has to be done to stop UPPCO.
stacey laux	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	I already pay a rediculous power bill can't afford anymore.
Scott Denome	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I don't like the fact that we pay the highest rate in Michigan!
Daniel Rogers Jr	escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Uppco is over charging everyone I have met.
Tom Berry	Pelkie, MI	2016-08-30	I have to pay these ridiculous rates!
Mark Erickson	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are ridiculously high. Over double what I paid in Cheboygan, Michigan. There is NO reason to have that high of rates, except to give their executives a HUGE bonus.....
James Freeman	Marquette, MI	2016-08-30	I'm on a fixed income and we already pay to much for electricity. Why do they need another rate hike?
Mark Christoff	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-30	Price gauging
Tabby Martinez	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-30	Because since moving to this area my bill has more than doubled and seems to go up every month. 643 last month with no central air or anything!that is ridiculous.
Kim Clouthier	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	I can't afford the bill now without getting deconnection notices. I work full time!
Pam Matson	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	My bill is too high!
John Robinson	Ely Twp, MI	2016-08-30	My electric bill is way to high get online with others upcco
Kim Puuri	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are to high.
Heather turner	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	My uppcobills are outrageous
Abbey Lawrence	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	We can't afford electricity. I have never until I moved to our current house seen an electric bill this high!
Brian Rule	Atlantic Mine, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are not competitive or in line with the wages across the upper peninsula

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Jen Kallio	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are ridiculous!!
Laurel Starnes	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	We pay more than folks around us without UPPCO, and it's not right. Either lower the rates or let a different company provide our electric.
james monson	bark river, MI	2016-08-30	That is my power co.
Roberta LaFave	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Sounds similar to Epi Pen in the news! Greed!
Chad Parlett	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are hurting people that are barely making it know. How much money does the ceo need to be happy?
KATHERINE Gossel	Caspian, MI	2016-08-30	I AM SIGNING BECAUSE, BETWEEN HEAT AND ELECTRIC, I CAN NOT AFFORD FOOD, AND i AM GONE ALL DAY WORKING
Claudia Garland	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	I live on SS and am raising a grandson. This raise really affected my already strained budget. My budget doubled
Michelle Tampas	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are some of the highest in the country!
Michelle Firkell	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are outrageous!
Connie Powell	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	The rates we pay are outrageous. We live in a rural area where there are many elderly on fixed incomes and unemployed due to lack of jobs. How are people supposed to pay their constantly increasing utility bills when their income is not increasing? People should not have to choose between paying the electric bill or buying food for their family. UPPCO is price gouging, it's not right. It sure doesn't help any that the UPPCO bill I received with the new increase was the same time my water bill also increased an unreasonable amount--not due to an increase in water used.
Judy Calvey	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO rates have gone way to high & we are on a fixed income so this is becoming a real hardship for us!!!!!!!
Tony Nelson	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Current and proposed rates are outrageous
JUDY HOKANS	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-30	There is no reason we should have to pay 3 times more than anyone else. We should have a choice of which power company we get our power from.
Stephanie Gleich	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	My bill doubled this month I'm beyond upset about this.
Joan King	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	My rates are so high their is no way to keep up.
matt maki	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO rates are way out of line compared to everyone else.
Donald Poshak	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	When is it ever going to end? Increases over years time is acceptable but not the astronomical way they do every year. Percentage wise it is ridiculous. When Americans have to chose between eating or paying their electric bill, it is ridiculous.
Emily Strom	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	I'm currently a college student in Houghton, and i really can't afford for the rates to go up
Karen Trapp	Mohawk, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are astronomically high as it is, how do you people suggest that we the customers pay for this, we are already paying enough our workchecks, S.S. checks and retirement checks and we don't see any increases in them, we the people are getting tired of being raked over the coals with UPPCO, so why should UPPCO get another raise, they get paid enough this is bullshit laying all this cost on the customers.
Marilyn Hooper	Chassell, MI	2016-08-30	I too am low income and many places have electric heat. Even on a budget billing plan the cost of electricity is the highest bill behind rent. No more price hikes. As the most expensive in Michigan, stop going up any more.
Alan Dedotell	Marquette, MI	2016-08-30	I already lost my apartment due to not being able to pay my utilitys so an increase would make it impossible to get on our feet again

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AJ Johnson	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	I pay more and more for power over the last few years and i've been cutting back more and more on usage!!
Dan Eden	Skandia, MI	2016-08-30	My last bill was 407 dollars for 2 people living in the house...
Don Parkhurst	Flint, MI	2016-08-30	its a bunch of BS and needs to be changed-am sick of being exploited by companies just because they can
Lynett Cruickshank	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	Lynett Cruickshank
Cassandra Poupore	Oshkosh, WI	2016-08-30	I have family in the U.P.. Ridiculous
Cynthis Mattson	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	This is outrageous.
Mary Flynn	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	No way a family of 2 should have a \$250-\$300/month power bill.
Melissa Robinette	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	My bill has been out of control for over 10 years! I can hardly afford to pay it! 250.00+ per month! Out of control!
Dana Steinhoff	Christmas, MI	2016-08-30	I sign this not targeted to those who put their lives on the line to ensure we have access to power(line workers)....this is to the greedy suits who dig into our pockets month after month. The UP is a depressed area naturally, and we pay some of the highest costs of living in the country.
Jen Pastorick	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are too high
Katrina Walther	Au Train, MI	2016-08-30	We can barely afford uppco as is and both my husband and I work full time. We have two small children and literally have to make payments on our electric bill because it is outrageous. I hate UPPCO. It is so frustrating to see some of our neighboring communities paying HALF of what we do and they have houses twice the size.
casey bricco	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	their rates are absolutely ridiculous, we were hardly home one month (probably slept at home 4 nights during the month) and we still had a \$200 bill!! no one was here!!!! that's crazy!
Wendy Smith	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	We already have the highest rates in the country. It's ridiculous, so many of us are living pay check to pay check, I struggle so much already, I'm scared of what the increase will bring.
Devin Leonarduzzi	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I am sick of paying for electricity. LET'S ALL GO SOLAR!
Samantha Burley	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	bills are high enough can't imagine how many a price hike will hurt.
Linda Asselin	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	We can't afford any price hike. We are on a fixed income budget and this is it. We found out that we are actually paying two times more than any other supplier and think that we should get the same rates, not ask for a price hike. This makes you look greedy like all big businesses pushing just to see how much the market can bare before it collapses. Where's your humanity. None I guess.
Thomas Flourre	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	The cost of everything keeps going up and my pay doesn't. If all these companies keep raising prices, you'll have to come shut off my utilities and then you'll lose a customer.
Amy Goulette	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	I'm sick of the high rates!
William Lemerand	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because of the high rates and the difficult and misleading billing practices of uppco
Kristy Bonevelle	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	Because we already pay too much.
jesse norman	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	It's disgusting that they would want to take even more of everyone's money, as if they don't make enough as is.
Alysa Sutinen	Hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	Too high of rates as is
Karhy Walther	Au Train, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are already too high!

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Justin Niemi	Canton, MI	2016-08-30	People need to eat.
Deidre Phillipson	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	We have a voice and what they are doing to wrong! Give us an option of another company! I have 2 houses in the UP and this is ridiculous!
Linda Schwake	Wetmore, MI	2016-08-30	On a fixed income and can't afford a rate increase. No increase in Social Security in 2016 and only .2 % in 2017. About \$2.00 and Medicare going up \$10
MARK MENHENNICK	NEGAUNEE, MI	2016-08-30	I have a hard time affording the bills now>
Robin Leitch	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I live in the U.P.
Nanette Beck	Baraga, MI	2016-08-30	My electric bill is already outrageous!!! There is NO WAY I could keep up with an increase!
ella hiissala	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	My bill is outrageous. On a fixed income now.
Heidi Frederick	Manistique, MI	2016-08-30	I am tired of getting higher utility bills even when I am using LESS KWH! I have switched to better refrigerators, bought a gas stove, and ALL LED lights. Yet, my bill is higher again....
Amanda Wilcox	Ishpeming Township, MI	2016-08-30	Their prices are already high they don't need to go higher. I already have a hard enough time trying to pay their rates now. It is my most expense utility by far.
sherri thompson	hancock, MI	2016-08-30	Another increase to an already egregiously high bill is unjustifiable and complete bullshit. We live in a world where unlimited free energy exists and you continue to rape us for your benefit and profit. You are no better than the animals on the street that do the same. Shame on all of you!
Leeanita Waananen	Eben Junction, MI	2016-08-30	Rates have just gone haywire...seems every time you turn around UPPCO wants a rate increase....They claim that they need upgrades and that it is so very expensive to provide service to the outlying areas...but Cloverland, WE Energy, and Xcel don't seem to have this problem to this extent...
gayle emmons	Bark River Twp, MI	2016-08-30	\$783.00 this month used to be \$300 to power my business. Need I say more???
Joseph Shaw	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	The rates here are noticeably high, and I noticed very quickly that after moving here from New Mexico. And having lived in 7 different states, I don't feel I am one that is simply naive to what rates SHOULD be like. They are high here and it is ridiculous for them to be trying to raise them again!
stacy Nelson	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	I have uppco and the bill is ridiculous
Nicole Rochefort	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	There is absolutely no reason for an increase on bills! It is already outrageous!
Nicole Maki	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I'm on a fixed income. Trying so hard to pay my bills without assistance from anyone. This will make it harder
Ray Gervais	Laurium, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are already too high and out of line with neighboring utility providers. They are wrong to request a huge rate increase considering these facts.
cynthia barr	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I can not afford this.
D Smith	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are sky high in comparison to other companies! Time for a complete adjustment UPPCO!
Randal Rockhill	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	Rate hikes like this are uncalled for and backed by greed.

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Emily Schuirmann	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO has been overcharging its customers for far too long! It's time we take a stand! I live in a single story, new house with all new energy efficient appliances, water heater and furnace. It's my husband and I and 1 child at the time. We both work Monday-Friday from 8-5, no one is home. Our July bill was \$368. When we called and questioned it they said it was because they had estimated our bill since February and the amount was making up the difference. Our neighbors meter was being read every other month, there was no reason for them to not read our meter at the same time. Obviously we paid the bill, we did use the electricity, BUT for how high our rates are and how much we pay please tell me why they can't afford to send someone across the street from our neighbors to also read our meter?!
Keven Iutzi	Rock, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are too high. Service is unreliable as well. Unpredictable short brownouts during good weather have forced me to surge protect all electronics
chris bushey	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	My electric rates are ridiculous!! I pay on average about 250-300 per month.
Greg Faust	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	I think it's BS that UPPCO can keep raping us like this. I sit in the dark even after installing LED lights and upgraded all my appliances and my electric bill is still \$250 to \$300 a month. It's gotten so bad they have a disconnection notice for \$1,200 and they said the only way they would work with me is if I paid 75% of that that day. But after arguing with them for several days they were kind enough to drop it to 50%
EIDora Sherwin	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	This is getting out of control. My electricity bill is the highest out of all of our bills. I can only imagine what its going to be when winter hits.
tom duchaine	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Why a need for such a jump?
Cheryl Lueneburg	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Very high electric bills.
Donna Camps	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	they have tripled my power bill over the last several years. I personally cannot afford another rate hike...
Lydia Davis	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing this because my 1,000 square foot home cost upwards of \$300 per month and we live very frugally!
Amanda Caldwell	Chassell, MI	2016-08-30	I can barely afford the current rates! Please do not force me out of this community by raising rates!
nellie latta	Skandia, MI	2016-08-30	I have uppco and can't afford their rates as is
Jessica Hill	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-30	Every month my bill is ridiculous. Years ago I could easily afford it but rates keep going up while my income stays the same...
Christina Swank	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	I simply have struggles to pay my monthly bills. The U.P. of Michigan doesn't have job opportunities for such rates! It's a real financial struggle to live in the U.P. to begin with; with rate increases many will have to go without power, thus not just television but important things such as being able to keep a basic needed refrigerator, use of their stoves, etc! Also, a lot of heat is based off of electricity also, thus the hikes causing people to freeze in the harsh winters! There is no reason for inhumane treatment such as what would happen should these prices hike as proposed!
Dawn Andrews	GwinnM, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are to high.
Julie Stark	South Range, MI	2016-08-30	Im signing because we're not rich up here, we're just trying to live. Electricity is a basic necessity, and it's sickening to see people being ripped off, or needing assistance to pay their electric bills even though they have jobs, but still cant afford it.

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Traci Winsor	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	We are always behind in our bill cause there is no way we can afford to pay full amount for each bill...it is so high and we try so hard to not use electricity when we don't need to but doesn't seem to make a difference...we pay what we can at that time but hate that we get behind....it's just a crazy amount to charge :(
chantel mcmillan	Hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	We pay too much more then our house payment they are taking from my kids with these insane electricity bills and that ain't cool plus its not like us ppl in upper Michigan make tons of mony most of us live off of \$1500 or less a month I will move if they raise the prices and lots of other ppl will too
dawn arbelius	PALMER, MI	2016-08-30	We pay too much already is like to feed my kids too
Gordon Chamberlain	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	It is hard enough to raise a family with the very high 275 a month rates that I pay now.
Jennifer Meyer	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	The prices we pay for electricity is ridiculous. We should either be given options just like our cable providers or the state should make laws about price gouging utilities.
Megan Vining	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	Electrical rates are getting ridiculous!!
Thomas Richer	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are too damn high
Michelle Inman	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are high enough!!
Tara George	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO customers are already paying more then the state and national average for our rates, not including the additional fees they have added. We currently pay .61 kWh for service and fees. Enough is enough
Tricia VanLandschoot	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I pay \$250 per month now, which is outrageous! I can barely afford it now, let alone an increase.
Laurie Mold	Toledo, OH	2016-08-30	It's unfair price gouging. We have a high poverty region. Bring rates down so people can afford to live.
Shelly Murray Anderson	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because I am paying double for what I use.
Rachel Davis	Crystal Falls, MI	2016-08-30	Its ridiculous!
Chaz Olson	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	It will affect my parents and possible my furture.
Susan Dettloff	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	These electric rates are extremely high. Those on fixed incomes are unable to pay and will use money for their food or medicines or other critical needs to pay for electricity. Shame on UPPCO.
Mary Doolittle	Au Train, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are too high now....
Deb Dlubala	Laurium, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates & the constant rate increases are outrageous! I believe UPPCO has the Pubic Service Comm. in their back pocket. They never turn them down. Once they lowered an 18% request to 14% but they probably asked for more than they really needed.
Derrick Bohn	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	My rates are double the ones around me.
Eric Ouellette	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	I work nights and I use little power. yet my bill is the same as someone who uses a welder and other things at their shop. Said person has someone else for power and his bill is the same as mine. Said person uses more power then I do. Why is my bill not less as I don't use much power.
Jessica Zawada	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	Uppco is our only option and rates have doubled for no reason. And now upppo refuses to let us use solar panels.
Scott Gibbs	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	Unwarranted rate hikes
Christopher Campbell	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	Uppco is outrageously priced

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Angela Victorson	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because I've been on Uppco for 23 years being screwed by them and their outrageous rates! I used to be on another company's service and rates were at least 1/2 of Uppcos. I've complained numerous times always getting the run around from Uppco. If I could change companies I would in a heartbeat but I don't have that choice available!
James Gleason	Marquette, MI	2016-08-30	I am an UPPCP customer and I feel that I already pay too much.
Shawn Gariepy	Mohawk, MI	2016-08-30	I am fed up that our rates are 1 of the highest in the world. Rediculous. The pay scale here compared to other areas is low and we pay way too much for power already.
Judy Bond	Shingleton, MI	2016-08-30	I've never paid such high electric bills it's crazy
hailey Gunnari	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Prices are high enough. I am a working mom and can't afford to pay EVEN MORE for my power.
Deborah Cappeart	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Electric rate is way too high.
Ann Carter	Marquette, MI	2016-08-30	I can't afford to live in my home!
michael flynn	ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	Our rate is unfair!
Jay LeRoy	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	Rate hike is too high and unwarranted
Ashley Saatio	Hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	We are paying way too much as it is already!!
Naomi Ling	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	My rates are so high for low income family
Amanda Oppe	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	My bill is WAYYYYYY too high as it is! We are a low income area, give us a break!!
Teresa Whittington	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing this because I believe rates are already to high. Living in the upper peninsula with long winters and longer needing heat on causes bills to be way to high. Even without heat costs we pay too much for just normal uses like lights etc.. I'd like to see a drop not an increase in uppcos rates.
Lori Calcaterra	Nadeau, MI	2016-08-30	Because I am sick of the high rates we are paying.
jennifer retchko	Richmond Township, MI	2016-08-30	I live in Palmer, where the mine just closed and hundreds and hundreds of people are out of jobs, leaving their families struggling. This also happens to be an area that is serviced by UPPCO. The last thing these people or anyone else need, us higher rates. We already pay double then most others. To a company based out of Wisconsin. When does it stop??
Peter Kuechler	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	This is a vacation home. Our bill is \$40-50 per month and we are rarely there.
Tara Fleis	Republic, MI	2016-08-30	Our electric bill last month was \$345 the rates are already insane!
cytheria cocorikis	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	my power bill is so high that i can never afford to pay the whole amount i have to choose in the winter to pay for propane to keep my family warm and only pay on power when i have a little extra then my husband has to use his tax return to pay off our huge bill in the spring so it doesn't get shut off
Laura Travis	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	The current rates are OUTRAGEOUS & we conserve energy, have new appliances, don't leave lights on & for 8 hours a day there is no one home even using elec additional to items plugged in in use. UPPCO is robbing working class professional families as well as low income families
Jamie Deming	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I will be renting an apartment in Marquette soon... With renting rates already being so high, the potential spike in electric fees will not help my financial situation.
Seth Truesdell	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are outrageous!!!
Molly Irving	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are rediculous!!

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Rebecca Noriega	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	I have UPPCO now, I pay double what I paid last year and I pay almost triple what I paid for Soo Electric.
L R	Schaumburg, IL	2016-08-30	You need to do something to protect your residents. Many of your residents are on a fixed income, you need to protect them.
Amy Skewes	Chassell, MI	2016-08-30	My power bill is outrageous
dawn jannuzzi	calumet, MI	2016-08-30	My husband and myself are the only ones to live in our house. Explain to me the high electric bills we get???? And winter is even worse..we live on a fixed income. Can't even afford food in the winter...
Carl Wrona	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I would like to our bill lower.
Susan Gohl	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	Enough is enough!
Adrienne Westie	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because the rates should be reasonable and benefit the community
Karlie Seid	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I'm a college student, I have other things to worry about than paying a ton for electricity.
Amanda Bertucci	Negaunee, MI	2016-08-30	I feel like it's exploiting the fact that there is only one service provider available to a residence.
Lynne Phillipson	AuTrain, MI	2016-08-30	Tired of paying outrageous rates
Michael Rochefort	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Time to take greed out of the equation.
Sarah Stoolmiller	Minneapolis, MN	2016-08-30	I spent a wonderful 5 years in the UP paying those unfair high rates!
Brenda Butkovich	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	I live paycheck to paycheck and cannot afford another rate increase.
Raymond Joncas	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	To expensive now.
Taylor freeman	Marquette, MI	2016-08-30	Many of us living in Ishpeming are low income. UPPCO already charges a large amount. My bill went from \$30 in Marquette to \$80 in Ishpeming, square footage increase of about 200. And it almost tripled. What could it be after this? ☐
Michele Mili	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I feel our rates are far too much. I'm a single mother of 2 and at times have a hard time paying my bill.
Martin Pokela	Vulcan, MI	2016-08-30	We do not want our electric rates to climb. They are high enough as they are. Businesses will shut down or relocate. Our economy will definitely be affected. It would mean a great hardship for many people.
Valerie Poutanen	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are ridiculously high now. We certainly don't need rate hikes!!
Keith Whittington	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	Obvious we are getting rail roaded.
Sara Brunette	Wells, MI	2016-08-30	The prices are already insane, I don't know how they think they are going to accomplish anything increasing them again. Would switch but found out they own the power lines and cannot. They don't help people they just ignore the problems.
Mark Werner	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I believe the electric rates are too high in comparison to other areas.
Seth Rottschafer	Grand Rapids, MI	2016-08-30	My bills this summer when I was home would jump anywhere from \$20-90 dollars
Brad Landis	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because of greedy people taking advantage of hard working people.

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Nancy Bailey	Au Train, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing this petition because my husband and I are retired and on fixed incomes. We chose to retire to a small home in Au Train after retiring from our jobs in New Mexico. We live here year round. We have been shocked by our bills from UPPCO. We are paying three times as much as we did in New Mexico. We do not have air conditioning and we have a gas furnace and hot water heater. We are diligent about using as little electricity as we can. We need help. Please do not approve UPPCO's request for rate increases. Please review UPPCO's current rate structure and find a way to help all of us who have no other choice for electrical service other than UPPCO. Thank you
Debbie Miller	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I'm slipping into poverty just trying to pay for basic essentials like power!!! Stop the madness!!!No more rate hikes!!'
vernon seymour	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	This is ridiculous. We live on lake superior we have more wind than any one. We need to utilize it. Get rid of the greedy bastards
Sheena Metzger	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	My bills from UPPCO are over \$300 per month. 2 miles south from me they have WE Energies and pay a fraction of the price! It's already ridiculous and needless to say I can hardly pay the full amount each month as it is. I have a very small home with two small children. My water bill is nearly \$100 each month. Hope this helps! Thank you all for singing!
Dale Laudenslager	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	The rates up here are way too high ALREADY !
debbie lepage	hubbell, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are way too high! !!
Stephen Sundberg	Richmond Township, MI	2016-08-30	Tired of high prices and constant hikes in price!! How can there be such a drastic difference between providers?
carr John	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I'm sick and tired of not only paying extremely high rates but having UPPCO keep requesting increases.
Karen Aho	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-30	I do not agree with the proposed rate hike. The citizens of the western upper peninsula are hanging on by a thread d/t job loss. Many are elderly on small fixed incomes. Greed should not keep citizens from having power. It is disgraceful.
Darlene Stampee	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I do not think that they should raise the electricity. It is way to high now. People can not afford to have a increase
Randy Gartland	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	I wand my electric lower
Robin Popour	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	I have had UPPCO service for 4yrs. and the cost is ridiculous! I can not afford what I pay now let alone another increase.
Kevin Lenehan	White Pine, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are continually going up, even though we have changed everything in the house to be as energy efficient as possible - I don't understand how the bill keeps going up again and again when we have done everything we can go conserve. It is getting frustrating.
Cynthia Bach	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	Don't increase rates
Joyce Brigham	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	Our electric bill for 3 adults (1-senior, 1-disabled, 1-working) living in a Mobile Home is on a Budget plan of \$470.00 per month - our House Payment is \$554.00 per month. It is a struggle to decide which ONE we can pay each month! And, now they are saying we own an EXTRA \$787.00 because we had that much left at the end of the budget plan and they ADDED it back in (essentially, double charging us) to our EXISTING BALANCE on our account!
Matt Larson	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I hate paying so much for power. I have family that lives only a few miles away and have WE Energy and they pay half what we do. It just isn't fair
BECKY BANDMAN	GWINN, MI	2016-08-30	It's INSANE how much we pay up here! We can't afford any more rate hikes!!
Michael Brandt	Gladstone MI., MI	2016-08-30	I have all LED lights in my house and my bill is still to high!

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Annie Dunn	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	They have a monopoly on the area and are abusing that to hike up the rates. Look at the rates and then compare that to the economic class the people are in who are affected by those rates. Compare those rates to the rest of the UP. We need a choice in this matter or the rates need to be comparable to other companies. It's that simple.
amy martin	Perronville, MI	2016-08-30	I have 5 children, 2 adoptive and 3 biological. Our energy bill is high enough and we can barely afford it as it is.
Brenda Mozader	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	My elec bill is out of control. I live alone, and it is over \$100 EVERY MONTH!!! I feel like I live in a bat cave, my lights are always off. If I had a different provider I would drop UPPCO in a New York Minute--and they want AN INCREASE!!!? I hate UPPCO, HATE them !!!
Shereen Latvala	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I am a single mother with two children. These rates are horrible. Uppco is taking advantage of us and it needs to stop immediately.
Mary Miatech	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Being a little higher is bad, but what we are lots of older people that live on Social Security, another rate hike would be devastating!!!!
Tate Hanawalt	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Uppc has monopolized on the power infrastructure in the u.p and it's absolutely ridiculous to allow it to continue without doing anything
Machel Borsum	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are in insane I lived in Escanaba for 10 years my city bill which was my electric, city water and garbage pick up never got over \$120 a month but with uppco pay over 200 just for electric!
nikki hall	Au Train, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because another rate hike is not necessary amd I'm sick of companies being so greedy.... it's hard enough to pay the electric bill as it is without the price being jacked up.....
Dayra Boberg	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO IS ABUSING EVERYONE!!!
Michael Delich	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-30	My electric bill is already to high. And we don't waste power!!
Sondra Smith	Grandville, MI	2016-08-30	My Mother cannot afford what she pays now let alone another price hike!
Wayne Koenig	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I can't afford what I'm paying now almost \$300 a month pretty soon I might as well check into a homeless shelter!!!!!!
Sarah Mannisto	Trenary, MI	2016-08-30	Sick of paying outrageous prices. We are a family of 6 who are energy conscious and still have a \$400 electric bill with no electric appliances or anything!
Jennifer Miner	Des Plaines, IL	2016-08-30	The price hikes are already ridiculous enough!
catherine wainio	Watersmeet, MI	2016-08-30	Historically REA has paid higher rates than anyone else. I an paying REA, and though I don't see REA on this chart, I would encourage that UPPCO and REA both be limited to what they charge. If they buy electricity from large companies, can a limit be made for those costs? My husband and I both work and live from paycheck to paycheck, with a fairly small debt load for our used vehicles but we are still having trouble making ends meet. Please Help. Thank You.
Sherry Whitman	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because ever since we've moved back from WI I have been incensed by his high electrical costs are here. And, we have no real alternatives for other electrical provides. UPPCO needs competition, we need alternatives! They should not be able to raise rates twice as much as other providers in the U.P. If they do, we will seriously consider retiring elsewhere.
jack jarvi	negaunee, MI	2016-08-30	Can't afford these insane bills
Terry Gatiss	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	Terry Gatiss
chelsea martin	Eben Junction, MI	2016-08-30	We are sick of our power bill being 3-4x higher than the rest of the UP!

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Brook Greening	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I cannot afford a raise in prices
Kimberly Crnkovich	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are outrageous and we have no other option for our services. It's sick what they charge.
Kimmy Caron	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	100% Agree
Jami Kobasic	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I couldn't afford my upcoming bill jumping up and up and not able to catch up to it I had to move
Mary Joan O'Halloran-Torongo	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	Our electric bill has always been exorbitant-often over \$300 in the winter. We've called Uppco multiple times about our bill and have checked multiple times for leaks and have made all appliances energy efficient and still have very high bills! An increase would be hard to manage financially not only for us but many in our community. I really feel like the monopoly that Uppco has is sickening.
Candy OConnell	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Electricity prices are outrageous n I am directly affected as they are the ONLY electric company here
David Peterson	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I'm a concerned resident of the U.P. Why would I not want to sign?
Jay Haischer	Atlantic Mine, MI	2016-08-30	Electric Rates are too high
Melanie Nettleton	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I have seen my electric bill almost double for the last few years. I bought new appliances, unplug everything I can, switched to the new style bulb and my bill still stays high.
Gayle Urban	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	I am disabled and cannot afford another rate hike.
Sharon Prey;	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Why should UPPCO customers be paying so much more than other companies are charging???
Tony Seymour	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	The billing is already out of hand
Brenda Kesanen	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO is out of control!!
Carrie Solberg	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-30	my rates are too high!
Jason LaFlamme	Wetmore, MI	2016-08-30	This is ridiculous. I spent a load of money to buy LED lights to save money and now they're gonna up the rates again
Staci Spencer	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	Our electric bills are outrageous!!!
Scott Riutta	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are way to high!!
Stephanie Dorvinen	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	I too feel I am paying too much for electricity usage, it's consistently my highest utility bill.
Kevin Coppo	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	We pay enough. We are the highest rate in the U.P.
VJ Waatti	calumet, MI	2016-08-30	prices are way to high and we have no other choice but uppco.
Dan Roberts	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	My rate now is as much as I was paying for city water,power,and garbage. Way to high
Cindi Shepeck	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Lower my rates.
Richard Kappler	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Prices have been unsustainable. What are they thinking? The cost of living is small here; we don't need big costs from a company that does not relate to us or know where we come from.
Lars Hiltunen	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Stop raising the electric rates!
Jeff Budweg	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are ridiculous!!!####
shelly lynnnes	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	They are price gouging us!!
Jennifer Roose	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	My electricity is outrageous already!! More than any other bill I have including my car payment!! Ridiculous!!

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Clay Trombley	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are ridiculous.
Marnee Riordan	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	My power bill is at LEAST twice what I pay for all of my other utilities combined (during the summer months).
Andrew Jorasz	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	Uppco customer
Brian Stuer	Eben Junction, MI	2016-08-30	These bills are rediculous when 12 hrs out of the day noonebis home there is no way a small two bed house generates \$360 per month
Evelyn Good	Chelsea, MI	2016-08-30	The people of the Upper Peninsula have been getting ripped off long enough!
Derek Poyhonen	dollar bay, MI	2016-08-30	Use too much, prices go up. Use too little, prices go up to make up the difference. Your explanations suck, deny the rate hike and let competition come in!
donna berryman	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	Power rates in the U P are out of control and we have no choice, the more we conserve the more our power costs.
cathy Manci	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	Can't afford higher rates. We live in a depressed area. Enough is enough!!!
Marsha Gursky	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	Rate are outrageous.
Dave Elmlblad	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	The continue to raise rates with no end in sight! Fixed income people can't absorb these already inflated rates!! I know a lot of families hat have been shut off already. This is just pure greed!!!
Roberta Fredianelli	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	We live on a fixed income and the rates we are paying are overly high. Seeing this charter was a real eye opener. My question is why are UPPCO's rates the highest?
Stefanie Lohrey	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I am signing because we had to move due to the HUGE electric bills we got every month with UPPCO! On average we payed 350+ every month in electric charges. Just moved and our bill, with the same lifestyle is around 80\$ a month with Escanaba Electric. Shame on UPPCO.
bob hiesel	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	fed up with the bullshit
Shannon Smith	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are way too high
Mark Martin	Mohawk, MI	2016-08-30	The rates have caused me to use less electricity and be colder in the winter and allot warmer this summer, please take this in consideration.
Terry Anderson	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	I too pay high rates. It's crazy.
Tonya Beauchamp	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	My power bill is OUTRAGEOUS!!!!!!!!
Toni Schram	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-30	My bill has been between 200\$ and 379 for 15 years my house isn't even that large! This is outrageous and we can't afford a rate hike!
Scott Jones	Bark River, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing this petition because I think that they should give us options to use whatever electric company we want. We should have a choice and not be stuck with UPPCO as our only electric company that we have to go with because of the area we live in. If they want to hike up the rate than we should have other options. But your killing the area with high rates of electricity. So give us other companies that we can use. Because I'm sure if we have options all the electric companies will diminish for raising rates.
Kathleen Sowa	Wetmore, MI	2016-08-30	I have been calling UPPCO since May of this year, HAVING TO GET MY BILL!!! They are horrible, and this month my bill has been the highest ever!! Does not make sense as my last kid moved out of the hous 4 months ago, and the bottom half of my home has been shut off!!! Ripping me off in my opinion. I have been keeping my records, and recording all my times I have had to call, and the wait time to talk to someone. I am on a first name basis with most of the people!
Annette Zaleski	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I'm broke!

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Amy Juntunen	South Range, MI	2016-08-30	I believe a reasonable increase would be okay for supply and demand, salary increases, etc, but this seems way too excessive.
Sarah Wheeler	Republic, MI	2016-08-30	I'm tired of being raped for electric charges!!
John Laitinen	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	John laitinen
Steve Porath	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	rates are too high
Nichole hibbard	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I live in a 800 sq. ft. Home and my electric is 200+ most months and we have energy efficient almost everything. Something is wrong here....
Kathleen Sowa	Wetmore, MI	2016-08-30	I have been having to call this company for the last 6months just to GET my bill!!!! Why do I call? Because I am retired, and on a fixed income, and if I don't call, I'll get bamboozled with a UNPLAYABLE amount!!! As my bills are so high now, I called about last months, as our last kid moved out (3 months ago) and 1/2 our lights and other features are not running, this last bill was the highest we have EVER had!!! I called and of course "No Mam, this is what you used" bull. This company is a total rip-off, and I am keeping ALL MY RECORDS, and I will have a GREAT case when I get enough proof!!! (And I will, as they continue to charge outrageously way to high!)
Antanas Grazulis	Houghton, MI	2016-08-30	I am a paying customer and even with the reasons they've given, there's no reason I should be paying almost 3x the state average. If costs need to go up that much they need to find a more effective, cost-efficient solution.
Joe atemborski	Republic, MI	2016-08-30	im an upcco customer and it's time to stop ripping customers off
Joe atemborski	Republic, MI	2016-08-30	im on a fixed income and getting tired of being ripped off
Lisa Kempka	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because I pay about 200.00 a month for electricity. This is way more than heat bill even in the winter months. It's outrageous, the ant we are charged!!
Amanda Demars	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	Because they keep raising the rates! It's getting ridiculously high and there's absolutely no competition for them where we live!
Tonya Nicholas	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are already RIDICULOUS!!
Lawrence Baur	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because I'm both a business, and a residential, customer of UPPCO, and the rates we pay are already outrageous. No matter the rationale UPPCO might provide, there is no justification for their present rates to increase, but every justification for their present rates to be significantly reduced.
Jeff Marta	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are ridiculously high already.
Amanda LaBonte	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	There is NO reason whatsoever to pay the rates we are paying. Nothing but a money hungry company. Ridiculous!
Carey Sullivan	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are justifiably too high
Anne Loman	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I struggle with this bill!
Ben Eskau	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are too high!
Tina Lahti	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-30	Our bill is already difficult for us to afford with all other costs of living with a family. It's well over \$200 a month right now.
Laurel Lammi	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	Power bill is way too high
Lynn Owens	Rockland, MI	2016-08-30	The cost is ridiculous, I have lived in other places recently and it was NEVER this much
Andy Bourdeau	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	I want to see more reasonable power rates
Jeff Henson	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I feel the electric rates for my area are to high already
Rachel Thebearlady	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	My electricity costs are soaring through the roof! I am about ready to go solar.

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Shannon Hascall-Reyes	Brimley, MI	2016-08-30	There is not reason to have such high rates for electricity! Oh! And in our experience, my family has been trying to research installation of solar panels for at the very least summer time, and the crap the local company has been giving us is ridiculous!!!
Lisa Utter	Manistique, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are ridiculous.
Cindy Lorendo	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are high enough!
Tanya Etelamaki	Chassell, MI	2016-08-30	I have UPPCO and rates are TOO HIGH!
Paul Smith	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	My bill keeps slowly creeping up and for no reason at all.
Cherie Fournier	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-30	Our rates are ridicules something needs to be done. They don't have to be this high!!
Jessie Maki	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing this because with everything going up no one's going to be able to afford to have electricity.
Mike Gobert	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-30	I am on a fixed income and already have a hard time paying my power bill
sullivan sullivan	Pelkie, MI	2016-08-30	It's terrible to be paying these high prices my aunt gets i believe it's rea and her bill runs 50.00 during the month and tha's includes heat, my bill this past month was 183. compared to last month 133. how it went up 50. i don't know, thinking of getting a generator and running part of the time, it is ridiculous for this hike and how are senior citizens going to afford, stop and think upcco do you want to pay these outrageous prices
Brittany Tillitson	Allouez, MI	2016-08-30	For me being home only 3 1/2 hours out of the day with my family we should not use that much electricity for our bill being so high! It is outrageous!
Donald Bowlby	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO rates are ridiculously high. They need to be cut at least in half to be in alignment with the rest of the region.
John Jr. Ruotsi	Madison, WI	2016-08-30	We pay enough already. Lets just keep trying to make people poorer. Wtf
Josey Aalto	Marquette, MI	2016-08-30	My bill is ridiculous. I don't use more power than I need for the basic functions of modern life, so it shouldn't cost a fortune.
Debra Nagy	Manistique, MI	2016-08-30	It is unrealistic to expect the average person to afford these cost increases in utilities, let alone people on fixed incomes. It is shameful the utility companies are not considering the communities that are keeping them in business.
Lynn Velmer	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-30	lynn velmer
Beverly Stachowicz	Caspian, MI	2016-08-30	It is pretty sad when one of your utilities is almost as high as a new car payment... We only have a electric stove and dryer both less than 2 years old and we don't run air conditioning because of the rates. There is only 2 of us in the house I feel for ppl with kids and anyone the has to run oxygen..
Brian Perry	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-30	The rates for power here are equivalent to Alaska which has the highest in the country other than the UP
Ashley Spitz	Saginaw, MI	2016-08-30	Rates are ridiculously high
Grover Munn	Channing, MI	2016-08-30	I have a house in painesdale, mi. With upcoming electric.
Linda Martin	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I pay too much for electricity
Pete Ketchem	New Albany, IN	2016-08-30	My parents are on a fixed income and could not possibly afford this ridiculous rate hike.
Linette Abb	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	The rates are not fair, simple as that. Most people are paying for power what they pay for a house payment.

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Kriss Bosley	Chassell, MI	2016-08-30	We already have the second highest electricity rates in the nation. Our elderly residents on fixed incomes can not pay more than they already are! My 84 year old neighbor lives alone, and watches t.v. in the dark at night. And her bill is still over \$100/month!
Lisa Harnick	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	Electric rate gouging should be as illegal as it is for gasoline.
Katherine Huhta	Calumet, MI	2016-08-30	My bill to high.
Brent Watson	Wetmore, MI	2016-08-30	Brent Watson
April Barry	Hancock, MI	2016-08-30	UPPCO rates are ridiculously high compared to the rest of the U.P.
Kevin Kelly	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-30	This increase is ridiculous!
Anthony Autore	Munising, MI	2016-08-30	I have two businesses one on clover land and one with upcco. The rate is 10x more with upcco for the same usage it needs to stop and they need to be held accountable for this madness.
Rich Koski	Chatham, MI	2016-08-30	Too expensive already.
bevelry solomonson	lake linden, MI	2016-08-30	2nd Highest rated in stars Hawaii #1. Come on. Sigh
Jody Anderson	Holt, MI	2016-08-30	I'm signing because I have two students at MTU in Houghton.
Dennis Curtin	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-30	Retired on fixed income
Alan Dedotell	Marquette, MI	2016-08-30	It should not take more than one person in a working class household to pay the bills I work a full time Union job and still lost our apartment because we could not make all the bills and upcco was the most expensive by far even more than our rent most months and we never left lights on and for 12 hrs a day we were at work
Rebecca Norman	Iron River, MI	2016-08-30	My electric bill was \$200 for a month I wasn't even home. I don't know how they think people can afford to pay more than we are already paying. I'm barely making ends meet and a \$300/month electric bill is ridiculous. Especially come winter time and we are paying as much or more for a gas bill on top of it, plus rent and other utilities.
Michelle Mickalicj	South Range, MI	2016-08-31	The rates are way to high I live in a trailer where everything is propane for years you have been ripping off all of the upper peninsula and we aren't putting up with it no more.Just last month my power bill was \$240 which is totally way out of hand the only time we use lights in my trailer is when we need to see to get something out of the kitchen we never leave no lights on.you are way out of hand and the residents in the UP is not giving up u r way overcharging and we r not putting up with it no more.its funny all the new trucks you got from all the people up here in the UP you should be ashamed and embarrassed and you don't deserve any more rate increases
Melanie Rossi	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-31	I cannot afford the HIGH price of power, it's my highest utility bill. A \$136.00 bill in July in a household with two people, no air conditioning is ridiculous. The people of the UP simply cannot afford to pay these high rates.
Annette Butina	Painesdale, MI	2016-08-31	I want this to STOP!
Dennis Foreback	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	End the monopoly, get some competition up here...electric rates are far too high here as is.
garth jurgensen	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-31	We are getting topped off U.P. here! We pay double then the rest of the nation!
Carol Petrelius	South Range, MI	2016-08-31	My family is on a fixed income. My father is unemployed and I have moved back in with them to help with the bills. A raise in our power rates could force us to have to sell our family home as we already pay more for power than anything else. This rate hike would absolutely kill us financially.

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Brittany Bleise	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-31	I currently had a power bill that is outrageous and I don't think it is fair to up rates when everything is already so expensive
Michael Oliver	Saint Clair Shores, MI	2016-08-31	It is ludicrous how high the rates are already. If I could choose another company I would. This is a monopoly if there ever was one. This needs to stop now.
Paula McGraw	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	My electric rates are higher than I can pay
lisa peterson	High Bridge, NJ	2016-08-31	Because this just pissed me off!
Megan Opsahl	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	The rates are outrageous! My family makes a decent living and it's hard for us to afford them. I couldn't imagine what it'd be like for folks on a fixed income. And what's really disturbing is we have no choice of power companies to use so no matter what we are stuck paying their rates!
Tonia Coey	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	I just saw my bill. And it's going to go higher? Unbelievable.
mike Beleck	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	Rates are to high.
Derek Matthews	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	I am signing this petition because UPPCO is charging way to much for electricity. They are corrupt because they are the only power company in the U.P. And they think because of that they can charge what they want and it is wrong.
Renee McConnon	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-31	We have the highest rate in Muchigan. My last bill was \$300 in summer, no AC with a 33 hour power outage. Ridiculous
Lorraine Gregg	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because our rates are way to high!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!1
Marvin Manninen	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	Rates are much to high
Gary Talarico	Germfask, MI	2016-08-31	Sometimes one has to stand tall and say "ENOUGH! WE CAN'T, AND WE WON'T, TAKE IT ANYMORE!" This is just not about money. It about quality of life. It's for our kids. It's for our seniors and disabled barely making ends meet. It's about being AMERICAN! It's about DEMOCRACY! Get involved and STAND TALL!
Nicole McClelland	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	Even though I'm not currently paying for electric, I have and soon will be paying for it and it always has been really expensive. We don't need it higher, we need the prices lowered. I shouldn't have to freeze in the winter because I don't wanna pay a \$500 electric bill when in the summer it's only \$75.
Karen Parise	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	Because I'm paying 100 a month and I'm only there on weekends.
Sherry White	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	Our rates are pathetic!! Who can afford to pay these! We need another power source!
Barbara Trudgeon	Toivola, MI	2016-08-31	Our power bill is too high!
Steve Kaipio	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	I practically live in the dark and the power bill keeps going up and up. If I could unplug the refrigerator I would. Electricity prices up here are ridiculous.
Cheryl Froelich	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Our home and business rates are outrageous! And, we have no other option! The meaning of the word monopoly is ...
Deborah Darmogray	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	Equity/ fairness in pricing !
Kerry Pelkola	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	Rates in the Upper Peninsula are way too high to afford!!
Gloria G Brown	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	Cost too high
Amy Jarvi	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-31	The power is way to much to afford without it going higher and higher and we get more than one bill a month and it is confusing.
Louise Nault	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because UPPCO is requesting way too much of a rate increase. People here will suffer.
Rebecca Sternat	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-31	Their rates are ridiculous

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Heather Proehl	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	Uppco rates are out of line! No rate increase!
crystal carlson	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Our UPPCO bill has almost tripled... we were gone 18 days in July...and our bill was still over 400.00 REALLY????
Laura Johnson	Cornell, MI	2016-08-31	Laura johnson
stephanie thwaites	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	Our bill is absolutely ridiculous... everyone I know is having a hard time keeping up.
Melissa Peterson	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Way to much!!!?
William TNiemi	Toivola, MI	2016-08-31	UP Power rates are way too high!
Shellie Fehrenbach	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	My electric bill is between \$250 - \$350 a month. That is absolutely crazy.
Jackie Kangas	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	Power bills are so high. Families & Sr Citizens can't afford this.
Steve Norman	Chatham, MI	2016-08-31	I thought when new owners for UPPCO were NOT allowed to raise their rates for several years. Time to go solar!!
geriann bialkowski	gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	Im a single Woman on SSI Theses Hikes r just to much !!! I struggle now to pay this bill i cant even catch up half the time !!! so cut us all a break to get on a budget !!! Lower the price !!! No MORE HIKES !!! Geriann Bialkowski gwinn mi
Valerie Savina	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	I am single, no tv, air dry clothes & my bill is ~ \$180.00/month!! That's ludicrous !!
heather hill	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	I can barely afford my bill right now. I am a recently divorced mother of five.
Stacy Burton	Germfask, MI	2016-08-31	I cannot afford higher electric bills. We struggle paying them now, cannot imagine how it will be if they raise them.
Laura Johnson	Cornell, MI	2016-08-31	Im on limited income and they raise the bills whenever they feel like it
Christine Westphal	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	UPPCO insisted we needed a new meter and our rate went up over 130 per cent. No way we can use that much power. I complained but nothing I can do never paid that much since I have lived there over 30 years. It is not right.
Douglas Hebner	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-31	Our rates are high enough.
shala tousignant	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	I have uppco and I can't afford my bills as is. A rate hike would make me choose between eating or having electricity.
Sherie Gibson	Wanship, UT	2016-08-31	Our UPPCO bill is outrageous. My husband and I live on a very small, fixed income, in a tiny house that is well insulated and has energy-efficient appliances. Our bill averages \$200/month in the summer (no air conditioning, just minimal TV, refrig, water heater, and washing machine. Power is our second biggest expense each month(food is our biggest). It's more than we pay for healthcare.
candace yelle	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	No one in there right mind can barley afford to pay uppco I had them for 5 years and my bill was never the same always would range from 150 to 300 a month. One bill was 500 like really that is ridiculous!! My parents are the same way and they can barley afford it! I have a city bill and it is 10 times cheaper to pay that then have uppco!
Carmen Pineau	Manistique, MI	2016-08-31	This is ridiculous for these customers to have to pay like this. It's not right.
Amy Lawrence	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	Our bill is getting out of control!
Steve Maass	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because we need to be able to purchase our power from whom ever we want. Not just one company.
Stacy H	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	UPPCO just ripping off the hardworking folks here in the UP. They need to lower our rates, not jack them higher!

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Donna Flye	White Pine, MI	2016-08-31	We are paying the highest rate in the u. s. There are only 2 people living in our house. It should not be costing us over \$200.00 a month with no heat or ac running.
Barbara Miskell	Iron river, MI	2016-08-31	These rates are way too high. My last months bill was nearly \$400, for a single month. No past dues. No heating. This is crazy. I am going to have to find alternatives.
Travis Cayemberg	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	Your rates are quite a bit higher than neighboring power companies.
Bill Buzzo	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	Electric rates are too high in the upper peninsula
Rebecca Quinn	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	Rates are double others in our area....ridiculous!
Jade Gomez	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	I've struggled paying our electric bills for 5 years now. We are raising 3 children and just simply cannot afford to pay \$500 electric bills.
Dorothy Abe	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	UPPCO rates are way too high and it's getting harder and harder to pay these exorbitant rates.
Eric Kangas	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	UPPCO rates are already crazy, 5 times higher than Xcel, 2.5 times higher than WE. Why big Universities and big business here can buy wholesale cheap power is beyond me.
Susan Steinhoff	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	I am on a fixed income and live in a very small home. I do not use a lot of electricity. At higher rates it will be difficult to keep warm this winter.
Monica Smartt	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	Our electricity rates are over the top; I believe they are the highest rates in this country. This must change. I, and many others in this area, am on a fixed income.
Trey Flye	Ironwood, MI	2016-08-31	our rates are too high already
Lisa Hurkman	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Tired of paying High bills when no one is home!
Michael Sapyta	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	The electricity cost in this area was killing my home based business to the point that I am now doing something else. This petition should be to lower the rate not to stop the raise. Absolutely ridiculous and I hope the owner and board members get the karma they deserve.
debbie clairmont	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	the rates are outrageous now. they want to raise them again. we are retired and on a fixed income.
Joann Kosciolk	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because I think they are gouging the people up here in the U.P. They charge 28 cents per kilowatt which is much higher than anywhere else in MI. As a senior citizen I'm very tired of being Ropped Off... Please do something about this ... Thank You
Karey Burklund	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	My electric rates with UPPCO are ridiculous!
Karen Kaipio-codere	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-31	Unjustified, inconsistent, electric rates
Carol Kariainen	Bergland, MI	2016-08-31	UPPCO's rates are way too high in comparison to the rest of the U.P. and people cannot afford it as it is.
Mark Robitaille	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	It's just not right!!
Terra Ison	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	My rates are ridiculous!
Logan Sleeman	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-31	Honestly the bills are ridiculous. And their billing system is beyond me. I don't even know wtf I'm paying for half the time.
Sandra Robinette	Wells, MI	2016-08-31	My power is already triple the cost of our old house which was with we energy and it was a bigger house.
stacey richardson	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	I pay an outrageous amount for electric. Even after 3 adults moved out and took their electrical toys with them, my costs stayed the same.
Jessie buccanero	ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	I already have a hard time paying my bill, PLEASE don,t raise it!!

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Kenneth Linna	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	It's WAY overdue!
Caitlyn Case	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because I can't afford my electric bill.
Michael Jestila	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	Electricity is already too expensive.
Cathy Leiskau	Guin, AL	2016-08-31	The current rates are already ridiculous
Amber Outinen	South Range, MI	2016-08-31	Unreal how much we pay monthly!
Michael Salewske	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	I have noticed the huge increase in my electric bills from where I used to live ironwood to where I live now in Ontonagon
Anne Lundberg	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	Your rates are so high that it makes it overly difficult to raise a family!
Dave Pelli	Laurium, MI	2016-08-31	Power charges are way to expensive
Johannah Klemett	South Range, MI	2016-08-31	I believe we pay enough!!! No reason to pay more!
Phyllis Lee	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-31	It is not fair to be paying so much more for the same thing.
MaryLou Mercier	Trout Creek, MI	2016-08-31	I'm on a low fixed income
Caryn Johnson	Iron River, MI	2016-08-31	Unfair rates.
Katina LaRose	Gulliver, MI	2016-08-31	We are working people who have been forced to be put on the budget plan to control our monthly bill. We cannot afford any rate increases !
Bonnie Quinn	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	We have some of the highest rates in the country. I am an energy professional and know what it cost to produce power. In addition, my power bill from running my a/c unit was \$420 in July. I've ran this unit in the summer in year's past and I don't recall ever having a bill over \$300. Last month's bill was ridiculous.
Bettina Graber	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	Need lower rates
Emily Quattrin	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	I have upppo and its already too expensive!
Lisa Kline	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	Should the rates really be increased? How many of our citizens already seek help from the government or local charities to pay their electric bill at the current rates?
Brooke Prins	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	Our rates have doubled in the past year! It's out of hand. UPPCO has the monopoly, so they don't have to provide competitive rates. I don't know how some people in this town are paying their bills!
Tonya Panveno	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	Electric up here has always been our biggest headache.
Christian Nelson	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	Higher utility costs lead to searching for more economic means (I.e. Windmill, solar, etc.). If power companies want our business, they will find ways to keep it affordable
Justin Madalinski	Iron Mountain, MI	2016-08-31	Price gouging electric bill.
Brittany Smith	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	I am a single Mom and any change in our budget impacts my household tremendously. A rate increase would mean having to go without other necessities such as gas to get myself to work and my son to school.
Laurie Hoplock	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	My electric runs our heating and for the upstairs apt and it's getting harder to keep up on the monthly bill. The landlord won't adjust our rent or put in an additional meter for the upstairs unit. My husband works two jobs (I am unable to work) and it is taking its toll on him physically. We are both over 55 yrs old.
Jessica Potvin	Richmond Township, MI	2016-08-31	My bill is already too expensive..
shawn pietila	palmer, MI	2016-08-31	The electricity rates are already too high as it is! This is ridiculous!
Tammy Shega	Chatham, MI	2016-08-31	When will this end? Please sign this and call your state representatives!
Kurt Kangas	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	We pay way to much

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Theresa Meyers-Green	Dollar Bay, MI	2016-08-31	We are living in minimum wages here and now the power is double?? Seriously can't do this!
Eric Poirier	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	There is no competition locally for service. Why are we paying twice as much as our neighbors?
Kyle Pihlaja	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because this is bullshit when UPPCO has one of the highest power rates in the country in an area where people are trying to survive. It doesn't make sense to me to up the rate because some fstass wants more money. It's pretty bad when it'll be cheaper to have solar power in town vs paying the electric bill.
Stephanie Hubble	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	I'm a college student and tuition is hard enough to pay without worrying about my electric bill going up.
Alan Brokaw	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	UPPCO's rates are among the highest in the country
Holly Leivdal	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-31	We can't afford another raise!!!
Aaron Raasakka	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	The curent rates are already a joke.
Matthew Ruoho	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	My electric bill is already way to high
Cindy Kallio	Skandia, MI	2016-08-31	We already pay outrageous electrical rates. We live in a lower income rural area, with a good percentage of our township residents being senior citizens, retirees on fixed incomes, and lower income families. A raise in our electrical rates would be an additional burden to these households trying to make ends meet.
Kim Mosier	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Our rates are way too high!
Naomi Ojala	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	Can't afford this only so the stockholders can profit.
Jeff Lamuth	hancock, MI	2016-08-31	I pay 130ish per month for a few led lights, and led tv, and hot water....it's out of hand and we need someone to intervene....or some competition
Sarah Ledford	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	The electricity rates are already way too high, most other companies around are half the price. It's ridiculous to pay that much. My bill just tripled and we barely use any electricity. Sickening from \$50 up to \$267. Outrageous!
Leah Owens	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	My electric bill is as high as my mortgage.
Kelley Palaspas	Troy, MI	2016-08-31	I have UPPCO and it's ridiculous what they charge
Michael Sylvester	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	I'm paying over \$300 a month for a residential home- ridiculous.
Kassandra Kallio	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-31	I'm a full time working single mom of 3 and 1/4 of my monthly income goes to UPPCO!! How can I survive?! Stop trying to rape us dry of money because you have the monopoly!
Joe Michaelson	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Let the laws of Laissez-faire economics keep this corruption in check!
Dana Floyd	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	My power bill is \$200 a month and it's just me and my daughter that live here. I don't have extra power draining appliances, either. Sucks!
Kevin Miller	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	I used to live in UPPCO territory for 6 years and my electric bills was horrible. I have friends and family paying crazy rates.
Susan Chastan	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	My husband and I are retired and on a fixed income. Please do something!
Nathan Peterson	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	The rates are outrageous.
Kathryn Bugielski	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	I can't afford a rate hike.

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Michelle Oxford	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Uppco rates are out of control. I pay more each month for electricity and and other utility bill. Uppco is higher than my heat bill in the winter. It is so out of control and no reason for the high rates. We aren't even home during the day and our rated are still high! This needs to stop or we should be able to choose what company we want to purchase our electricity thru. Please stop the high rates
James Harrison	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	The rate increase is ridiculous. What kind of benefit do the people paying get from this? There is no way to justify that large of an increase.
Noah Arble	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	Pay way too much!!!!
Ron Strazzinski	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	We are already paying some of the highest rates in the United States!
Sharon Nelson-Curtice	Rumely, MI	2016-08-31	Our bills are incredibly high despite being extremely cautious about how we use electricity. An additional hike is unimaginable .
David Evitts	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Power is to high already!
Brenda Kay	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	Highway robbery
Heather Sothy	Oak Creek, WI	2016-08-31	I am a former resident of the U.P and I am considering moving back. I don't understand why the residents should pay more than everyone else u.p.c.o should be shut down and sued.
Timothy L. Locke	Midland, MI	2016-08-31	This is Monopolistic Practices upon Captured Customers by unscrupulous Communists.
James Flores	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	My electric bills have been averaging over \$300 per month! What the heck is the reason!?
Judith Fleming-Berger	Bruce Crossing, MI	2016-08-31	It is heartbreaking to see friends and relatives struggle to pay such high bills to this company.
Kelsey Rates	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because UPPCO is already not affordable in my 2 person household! Raising more would make it basically impossible. And they are my only option.
rebecca fredrickson	laurium, MI	2016-08-31	Something needs to change! We can't afford this anymore!!!!
Stephen Nelson	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	My power rates are too high. WE Energy customers 4 miles away pay 11 cents per kW hr then I do
Bruce LaPointe	Baraga, MI	2016-08-31	This utility company is gouging the public and should be required to actually pay folks back for driving their fees up so outrageously high.
Sabrina Gage	Glendale, AZ	2016-08-31	I have family and friends who are on a fixed income in this city, who can't afford raises in thier bills.
jodi sharrard	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	I pay almost as much for electric as o do rent!
Matt Luther	Pelkie, MI	2016-08-31	What we get charged for our 2 person apartment is absurd! Sometimes over 200 dollars in the winter for just two people when we only heat 2/5 rooms. There is no reason for Uppco to need even more money when they are so much higher than the rest. It's a case of having a monopoly and price gouging a community that is already hurting economy.
Todd Van Kleeck	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	This is so obviously out of line the commision should not need a petition to take action against punitive rates
Shari Rasmussen	Gaastra, MI	2016-08-31	I'm tired of the rate hikes!!!
Patti Segerstrom	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	I can't afford an increase!!
Samantha Meyer	Blissfield, MI	2016-08-31	The rates are ridiculous, as a single mom I'm struggling to keep up.
Andrew Manthey	marquette, MI	2016-08-31	The rates now are to much. I don't want to worry about cooking my family a meal and paying more in electricity than the meal cost.

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William Hodges	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	We pay to much already
jane mervar	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-31	I have been an UPPCO customer for more years than I can remember and the present rates are seriously already quite costly. I am a widow and lost one child and still caring for 2 terminally ill daughters and we survive on a fixed income.. PLEASE DONT INCREASE RATES rather consider lowering them .I honestly do not understand why they are already so costly!
Robert Deeds	Ahmeek, MI	2016-08-31	My electric bill is more then my Morgage a month!! Absurd
Angela Schjoth	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	I'm an electricity nazi! If ur not in ur room, lights, TV, etc. . .off! Yes we watch alot of TV/movies in the dark, but what's wrong w that?! And our bill STILL runs at least \$200/month!! Fn ridiculous!! Someone needs to stop UPPCO from "raping" us "poor" Toppers!!
Deborah Reel	Valparaiso, IN	2016-08-31	I grew up in the country and my parents still live there. The rates they pay for UPPCO are extremely high. They both live on a fixed income and cannot afford another increase.
Traci Lancour	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	I am sick of 350.00-400.00 bills every month. It's time we take action!
Allen Waltanen	Atlantic Mine, MI	2016-08-31	Uppco's rate hikes are ridiculous and I cannot afford to pay it.
Tim Passinault	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	It is outrageoous!!!!
Jacob Bedore	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	This is horseshit. It's high enough.
Janis Johansen	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	I already can't afford my electric bill if they increase it again I won't be able to afford to EAT anymore
Christopher Ginter	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	Uppco is a rip off I pay so much in electric
Michael Roberts	Stinnett, TX	2016-08-31	I am buying retirement property in Alger County and don't think that this rate increase is proper or fair...3 times what WE is charging...and they are raping people...
Marc Maycunich	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	My electric bills are already freaking ridiculous!
Beth Bertolini	Hermansville, MI	2016-08-31	My son, his pregnant wife and 2 children barely made it through last winter with the exorbitant electric bills in their area. They'll be short a second income through part of January and February because of the birth of their son. They may have to give up their otherwise adorable rental because of their electric bill. That is ridiculous. My 4 bedroom large home one county away has a cheaper electric bill by half. This doesn't add up!
Mary Drew	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-31	We already pay hefty fees for our power usage and think it should be more in line with other utility companies.
Ann Lantz	Toivola, Italy	2016-08-31	Our bills are ridiculous!
Rich Fournier	Bark river, MI	2016-08-31	\$200.00 a month is ridiculous for a power bill when a few houses down the road are paying less than half that threw a deferent company !!!!!
Rick Kasprzak	Calumet Township, MI	2016-08-31	Yoopers already pay the highest rates in the country for power. There is no more money to be squeezed out of us. UPPCO's pricing is predatory in nature and I refuse to be shaken down any longer.
cindy mitchell	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	Hard to make ends meet.
James Compton	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	I don't feel that any of us should be paying as much as we are for electricity.
Linda Rasmussen	Chatham, MI	2016-08-31	I have decreased my electric use as much as I can without living in the dark and I still have a hard time paying my winter Uppco bill.
Sharon Bailey	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	Uppco takes most of my pay check 9 months of the year. If they get this hike, I won't be able to buy groceries. Their rates need to be lowered not raised.
Kimberly Koski	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	I believe electric is already to expensive.

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Jodi Schwalbach	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	I have lived at our residence for 23 years and our bills are never under \$200.00 a month. We use all gas appliances and heat. This is out of control.
Kimberly Nutt	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	If the rates go up even more I will not be able to afford them.
Shelly Orr	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing this because I don't think the rates need to be increased again. We already pay more than other communities around our area that have other choices for power. We don't have a choice. UPPCO should not be able to take advantage of that.
Debra Dishaw	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	Rates are so high, I have a hard time paying for electricity living off of VA Disability and being a single Mom.
Cherie Coble	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	I am signing this because Uppco rates are ridiculously high. We are paying more than we ever had and they are requesting a price hike!
Patti Stropich	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	I agree that UPPCO's rates are extremely high. I have a new home with all new energy efficient appliances & my electric bill is high. Even my heat bill (gas) during the coldest part of the winter is much lower than my electric bill.
Kirk Schwalbach	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Our UPPCO bill is crazy and we should not have to now pay more?!
Kim Cline	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	The rates are out of control
Karin Buckland Van Dyke	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	I live in Houghton and my electric bills are more than 2X my Semco gas and local water bill combined. Quit robbing us!!
REBECCA GROVE	ISHPEMING, MI	2016-08-31	Rates need to be lowered! What uppco charges is insane!
Ann Deming	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	I'm tired of paying a rediculous price for electricity! Some months it's more than my mortgage payment! How can you expect a family to survive!
Allison Norman	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-31	My UPPCO bill remains high dispite several changes I have made to lower it
Edward Sever	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	Our electric bill runs 200 month!!! No noone home during day no power being used and ALL our neighbors bills run around 80 month. Ever since they put new meter on our house and no one else's. They say it's working fine . yea fine for them!!! They are robbing us!!!!
susan soeltner	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	I can't afford my electric bills. I have a hard time affording them.
Peggy Erickson	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	What UPPCO is doing is outrageous! How can a company take advantage of hard working people and get away with it?
Krista Carlson	Calumet Township, MI	2016-08-31	Our rates are ridiculous!
Rick gagnon	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	Your rates are to high.my bill is 400 a month for a single family home.
Kris Petosky	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	We are being ripped off
Craig Lancour	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	Rates are outrageous!
Tim Stukel	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	The average family household income in the area is roughly 22,000 a year and most cannot afford the rates now ! and they're one of the highest rates in the country not just the highest in the state , can't believe they keep allowing this to happen! It's Wrong!!!
Tim Pierner	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	Rates,are to high already
Doutree Barbara	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	I think that the rates have really gotten out of hand and I am considering putting in Solar just because I am afraid I will not be ble to afford electricity when I decide to retire.
Jack Treganowan	Eagle River, MI	2016-08-31	enough!!!!

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Dennis O'Brien	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	We keep paying more and more and it is a real hardship for many people plus it hinders economic development. You cannot expect a area to provide employment when costs to potential employers is some of the highest. Also our level of service and reliability has been steadily reduced.
Dan Moore	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	It is unfair.
Michelle Roberts	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	UPPCO's rates are ridiculous. Since they have market monopolized, customers have no other options
Mikie Sims	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	Uppco is getting out of hand, we live in a tough economy as it is. Bunch of crooks if you ask me.
Julie Beck	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	Because I can barely afford my own electric bill. I need medical equipment at night and my bill keeps going up. One of my recent bills was over \$398 and it used to be about \$160. Please don't allow any more rate increases.
Laurie Lambes	Escanaba, United States Minor Outlying Islands	2016-08-31	Absolutely no reason for another increase in our rates. We already pay rates above other companies that are in Michigan.
John McCaughn	White Pine, MI	2016-08-31	We have half the house and our rates are double what they were in IL or SC!
Rachal Gustafson	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing this because our hard-working, dual income family is having a difficult time keeping up with our electric bills from UPPCO. Please help us.
bob nowicki	ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	cant handle a increase, too high now!
Lara Clisch	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	We have always had higher bills/rates than any other area I know! 23+ years of this! Enough is enough!!
Jeanne Medlyn	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	No natural gas available here; slave to electric at a harsh rate
William Wanhala	Pelkie, MI	2016-08-31	Wind Power along the Western shoreline. Wind Power along the Western shoreline. Wind Power along the Western shoreline. Wind Power along the Western shoreline.
Scott Lindbert	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	Too high already!
Liisa Beck	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	This price hike is crazy. I live in a house alone, most days I'm at work or out so I hardly use electricity. I have even gotten into the habit of unplugging my tv when I'm gone because I'm paying way too much money.
Thomas Pepin	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	The rates are out of control.
Lezlee Spreeman	Pinconning, MI	2016-08-31	Bad policies and politics should not be passed on to citizens. I cannot afford a jump in the electrical rates.
Lynn Burak	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	We are retired and on a very strict budget. A hike in electric would be horrible
Sherry hickey	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-31	Our rates are to high already
Donna Lehouillier	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	I am signing because we pay more than any other Utility Co. ...it's not fair....there is a big difference between making a fair profit and making a killing
Randy B	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	UPPCO is our only option, other than unaffordable solar/wind systems. They are financially raping customers, because they can. There is no reason their rates should be so much higher than other electrical suppliers!
Heather Porter	Grand Rapids, MI	2016-08-31	My parents and family live in upper Michigan and cannot afford these rates. This must change!
micah skjolaas	rapid river, MI	2016-08-31	Uppcos rates are absurd to begin with, 9/10 it's higher then all my other utilities combined I take that back it always is and that's with me being a nazi on lights, unplugging, and LED bulbs

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Jeff Schulz	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	We are already paying way too much for power. My Ave monthly bill is almost as much as my mortgage. I paid about a quarter of this in rural alaska where by the explanation of uppco we should have been paying more. In an area where the economy is already hanging by a thread what sense does it make for the CONSUMERS to pay such enormous rates?
Don Isaacson	Sebeka, MN	2016-08-31	Along with siblings I own a cabin on Big Traverse Bay near Lake Linden. The electric rates we pay are too high.
allen squires	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	This is getting out of control any reason to raise the rate always and excuse they tell you to cut back and than when you do they tell you they have to raise the rates because your not using enough.
Wayne Hill	Richmond Township, MI	2016-08-31	Way to high power bills
allen squires	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	Where told to conserve and than when we do where told we have to raise the rates because where not using enough .
Jody Megenuph	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing this because it is bogus to charge such astronomical rates, and it is utterly ridiculous that UPPCO thinks they can add another rate hike! I'm not an UPPCO customer, but my friends are and some day I may end up being one.
David Robinette	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	I bought new 5 star energy appliances and my bill went up. I bought all new LED bulbs for my home and my bill still went up. Seems to me UPPCO get to produce less power and make more money.
Al Bleser	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	Excessive increase
Gwen Krym	White Pine, MI	2016-08-31	I was on the phone for half hour yesterday with UPPCO (after trying to get through for 30 days) complaining about their high rates
PAUL SAVELA	Ahmeek, MI	2016-08-31	Lower my monthly bill, not raise it!!!
Steven Karkkainen	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-31	WE energy has made a bad situation worse after spinning off UPPCO. After buying them to gut the company for their generating plants ! Retirees can't afford the costs of electrical energy before any more rate increases!
fred miller	sagola, MI	2016-08-31	This is absolutely crazy here the cost of electricity.
brian waters	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	My rates are way to high for years I pay over 300 a month
Alan McClellan	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	It has been way too high, way too long.
Alicia Roundtree	Lake Linden, MI	2016-08-31	The rates are ridiculously high causing poverty and disparity.
Faye I Crain	Midland, MI	2016-08-31	We have a cottage in the U.P. rates are different and higher
Leeann Kirkpatrick	Iron River, MI	2016-08-31	I'm an UPPCO customer. I live alone, have two jobs and am barely home yet I pay a hundred dollars a month for electricity I barely use. I have new, energy efficient appliances, gas heat and weather heater, and LED and CFL bulbs that are hardly ever on. Ridiculous
Shelly Prey	Cornell, MI	2016-08-31	My mouth drops every time I receive electric bill for my seasonal home in which it is barely used. It is always higher than my primary residence electric bill in TN (where we run the AC nonstop. ) This makes no sense! obviously the rates in the UP are astronomical.
Shirley Heidtman-Todish	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	Rates are way too high!
Julie Shardlow	Ontonagon, MI	2016-08-31	Enough is enough! Lower our bills!
sheila roberts	Rapid river, MI	2016-08-31	I have uppco and my bill is very high for a small home with only 2 people living in it
Erin Demro	Pulaski, WI	2016-08-31	I know many people that live in that area and it's ridiculous the rates they're paying for electricity.
Barbara Suojanen	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	My electric bill is outrageous.

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Justin DeGroot	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	The rates are ridiculous!
Justin Henry	Marquette, MI	2016-08-31	An across the board, 30% hike in the electricity bills of everyone getting their power from UPPCO is insane. People complain when there's a 10 cent jump in gas prices, but if it comes to it, you can opt not to have a car--but a 30% jump just to keep your lights on? If there isn't outrage about this, there should be.
Milton Lowden	Iron River, MI	2016-08-31	My bill monthly is outrageous
Amanda Kinnunen	Atlantic Mine, MI	2016-08-31	Our rates are ridiculous. I recently compared all of Michigan electrical companies and was quite disappointed to see how much more we pay!
Tania Lajimodiere	Negaunee, MI	2016-08-31	I can't even believe how high our bills are. I have good friends that live a mile down the road and are fortunate enough to have BLP and my cheapest bill of the year doesn't even match their most expensive. It would be one thing if our bills were slightly higher but they are over two and a half times higher. That means when I pay 300\$ for my bill my neighbors are only paying 130\$. It is insane and the fact that we can't pick our company is not fair. Uppco can charge us whatever they want, and it's obvious that they do, and we can't do anything about it. We should have a choice to pick our electric service provider then maybe UPPCO would realize how insane their prices have become.
LESLIE THATCHER	Skandia, MI	2016-08-31	I WANT LOWER RATES OR NO INCREASE
Megan Balko	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	I have been paying almost twice what my upcco Bill was last year already!
Sherri Parrett	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	My parents are upcco customers.....and pay high prices!
Scott Anderson	Green Bay, WI	2016-08-31	I am a land owner in the area that will be affected by the rate hike, and I already pay a high enough rate for my electrical service, besides all the added fees they have because I close up my cabin in the winter.
Josh Thomson	Spokane, WA	2016-08-31	My mother and family live in the U.P.
Rodney Frederick	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	It's unfair, especially to those with fixed incomes, to have rates so much higher than other places.
Stephen Erickson	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	Because I'm already paying too much!!
Logan Roe	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	These rates are out of control..it's gotten ridiculous
Ken Attkinson	Hymera, IN	2016-08-31	Rates are twice what we pay in Indiana for our cabin in Marquette county NUTS!!□!!□!!□
danielle pascoe	shakopee, MN	2016-08-31	It's not right for a company to charge so much
Zachary Posz	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	My power bill is insane!
Amy Bennetts	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	Our rates are ridiculous. In order to try to help lower costs, we converted very, yes every, even appliance lights to LED. This conversion was not inexpensive on its own. We constantly turn lights off, have new appliances and the cost is constantly increasing. And other rate hike will make it even more outrageous. When you live in the UP and your heat is NOT electric, not your hot water and you STILL pay \$300/month there is a problem. I feel badly for those who have to heat their homes with electricity. I don't know how they do it.
Kathy Rose	Cornell, MI	2016-08-31	High bills and inadequate cooperation with alternative energy customers.
Vicki Usitalo	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	The amount that our power bills run is ridiculous, we have no choice here and are forced to pay artificially inflated bills. Considering investing in solar to cut the cord with them in hopes it will pay off. If you don't believe that UPPCO is price gouging read this <a href="http://abc10up.com/judge-power-plant-customers-overcharged/" rel="nofollow">http://abc10up.com/judge-power-plant-customers-overcharged/</a>
Janet LaForest	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	Bills have been ridiculous

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Daniel Wiltzius	Grand Rapids, MI	2016-08-31	These rates are absurd. Greed, greed, greed. Its sad that they take advantage of the people like they do. Quit ripping off the hard working citizens that use your power #UPPCO.
Barry King	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	My bills are way to high I'm on a fixed income so am on the budget plan. Well last year they didn't figure it out high enough and I just received a bill for over \$1000. I don't have that kind of money laying around so now they're adjusting it higher and adding on to cover up their screwup so my bill is going up over \$60 a month till it's caught up. I have D T E for my gas and am on there budget plan and they automatically adjust it every 3 months so this type of thing can't happen to you of course I do most of my payments online with no service fees the 11 don't is UPPCO's because unless you get online billing they charge you and they are already way to high on their rates and all they do is keep seeking higher rates every year.
Gregg Cunningham	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	Electric rates are abnormally high and should be much lower. It contributes to people leaving the area because of high utility rates, high insurance. It has significant negative impact on those of fixed incomes and working families
Vicki Usitalo	Chassell, MI	2016-08-31	<a href="http://abc10up.com/judge-power-plant-customers-overcharged/" rel="nofollow">http://abc10up.com/judge-power-plant-customers-overcharged/</a> It's already been determined by a judge that they are overcharging and need to pay back the consumers big time. I'm appalled and will definitely pay more attention to what is going on with their requests for rate hikes . Have heard that they've announced meetings in the paper for public input on the rates and no one attends. That is going to change.
stephanie ryalls	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	Isn't it obvious?
Patricia Vilmann	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	Everyone should pay equally
Barbara Velmer	Pelkie, MI	2016-08-31	There billing has gotten out of control
Michelle Rose	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	We have the highest rates in the nation and some of the lowest wages. This needs to be remedied.
Jon Rauvala	Santa Ana, CA	2016-08-31	Because the rates are already too high
Janet Wisuri	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	I want lower electric bills.
Robert Richardson	Shingleton, MI	2016-08-31	Outrageous bills the last 6 months, especially there Estimated ones
Dan Dalquist	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	Our rates are far out of line - - the Public Service Commission needs to say no to rate increases!
Richard & Lori Kwarciany	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Prices are way to high and we don't have any other options, not fair
Karen Hannon	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	I'm a single person in an apt. And my rates are more than some with big homes & also there's a church next to me an I pay a lot more than them!! How can this be!! It makes no sense! I even sit with my light off during the day & it's still outrageous! PLEASE HELP
Leo Vietzke	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	My electric rates are unaffordable!!
John Reed	Gaylord, MI	2016-08-31	Why should a company be allowed a rate hike when their rates are already much higher than surrounding utilities?
Lorrie Graff	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because the rates in the UP are higher than someone living in Alaska.
Patti Stafford	Iron River, MI	2016-08-31	Our electric bill is WAY to high!! Insane what they are charging!! ENOUGH!!!!
Camomilia Bright	Bay City, MI	2016-08-31	Why would it cost them that much to make it compared to everywhere else. Yes, they dereve a profit, but you are also talking about a monopoly that people will have no choice but to go with. Profit, not gouging.

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Tonya Gondek	Dodgeville, MI	2016-08-31	Rates are way too high!!!! Please help us!!!!
Amy Gauthier	Marquette, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because I am currently a customer of UPPCO and I have been for years. I am a single Mom of three children and I work full-time. It is a real struggle to keep up with the electricity bill. Even after I keep on my kids and myself to unplug things when not in use, turn lights off when not in use, turn tv's off when not in use. I cannot believe UPPCO is wanting a rate increase! This will affect my family in a negative way. To me, this is just plain old "greed". It's terribly sad coming from a small community.
Marie Poutanen	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because I'm tired of very high electric bills with no extras using it. We sure DON'T need an increase in the rate!
Traci Tryan	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	We went from 6 tvs to 2 tvs, 5 cable boxes to 1 cable box, use ONLY led light bulbs in our entire house, have all new appliances (fridge, range, dishwasher, washer, dryer, microwave), new hot water heater, new furnace, use only solar lights outside, keep heat down in winter, reinsulated our home, caulked/ sealed all air leakage points, sealed unused entry doors, don't use air conditioning, EVERYTHING we could think of. We even go camping all summer. Monthly bills do not reflect changes. Temperature doesn't even seem to matter. UPPCO raises your bill every fall, keeps it high all winter, lowers it every spring, Doesn't matter if we're having a colder or warmer season than usual. We bust our humps for lower wages in this area, yet they get richer for doing nothing. If I had a choice, I'd never choose UPPCO.
Terry Ison	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Uppco rates are rediculussy high. MPS needs to evaluate
jeffrey solka	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	Tired of corporate greed.
Ceric Lasentri	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	UPPCO is getting out of control. Rates are extremely ridiculous as it is.
CAROLE ROBL	Ewen, MI	2016-08-31	rates are getting way too high for rural customers!!
Daniel Radloff	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	High electric bill.
Doug Motto	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Rates are too high compared to Wisconsin Electric
Melissa Collard	Eagle river, MI	2016-08-31	I can't afford this price hike!!!
Greg and Sheila Stalboerger	Escanaba, MI	2016-08-31	Extremely high rates!!!
Richard Freeman jr	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	Sick of the high rates
June Bumstead	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	My electric bill is almost 300.00 a month. I do all I can to save energy, shutting off lights, lcd tvs, etc. I've also replaced every light bulb inside and out with LED bulbs which cost me over 400.00. All I can say is that there is no reason for the rates to be almost double that of neighboring utility companies and a rate hike will hurt alot of people, especially thise on a fixed income or disability.
Tori Connors	South Range, MI	2016-08-31	My bill is extremely high for the electricity we use.
James Borst	Ishpeming, MI	2016-08-31	Stop the legal theft of our money!
Carolyn Thoun	Gladstone, MI	2016-08-31	I am tired of paying UPPCO high rates already nuts
randi johnson	Manistique, MI	2016-08-31	MY BILL IS ALREADY UNAFFORDABLE!!!
Bill Tarbox	Hobe Sound, FL	2016-08-31	I still have a house in Hancock and feel the rates are way too high!!!
mary simila	Houghton, MI	2016-08-31	Rates are way to high now, how do you expect the average person to pay these bills?
Taryn Okesson	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	Because it's unaffordable.
elizabeth collins	palmer, MI	2016-08-31	I can't afford my electric bill now

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Gregg Baril	Laurium, MI	2016-08-31	We are clearly being taken advantage of and it's time to stand up for ourselves. If anything we deserve a massive rate decrease!
Jennifer Lincoln	Shingleton, MI	2016-08-31	We are being robbed by UPPCO!!!
alan briggs	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	Power bill is nuts on what they charge. Work to be broke.
Heather Wilcox	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	Cannot afford another price increase!
Cindi Floyd	Manistique, MI	2016-08-31	These rates are ridiculous! My daughter lives in germfask and can't afford this nonsense!
Karen Marta	Negaunee, MI	2016-08-31	I believe that the current rates are unfair. The rates are far to high for most families, as many are living paycheck to paycheck, or living in poverty. Prices need to be a lot more affordable!!
Leslie Mattson	Bark River, MI	2016-08-31	No bill is ever the same doesn't matter what we do or don't use.
Tara Larsen	South Range, MI	2016-08-31	Uppco is already expensive, why would they RAISE prices! This is RIDICULOUS!!! No one can afford this!!!!!!
Derek Walli	Hancock, MI	2016-08-31	They are charging wayyyyyyyy to much
Rita Badham	Rapid River, MI	2016-08-31	Electric in the U.P. is way way to high!
steven makinin	Munising, MI	2016-08-31	These rates are ridiculous. They are twice what I paid last year
Martin Oakley	Republic, MI	2016-08-31	My family and I are on a fixed income, and the rate hikes have hurt us badly throughout the past few years. Our bill has doubled from what we used to pay and now we struggle to make ends meet. To continue to allow these rate hikes is ludicrous, and will price electricity beyond what most of those in poverty can afford.
Cathy Ruonavaara	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	We are in an area where people live week to week. For us to pay some of the highest rates are just wrong. In Florida I could A/C and heat a home, run light appliances and pool heater cheaper than here just running lights and appliances. Sad.
Jeanne Gourneau	Toivola, MI	2016-08-31	My electric bills are too high now. As a senior I leave my home in winter as my ss income can't keep up with the bills. Uppco is my only choice for my home. Unacceptable.
kathlrrn Meni	Gwinn, MI	2016-08-31	Electrical bills from UPPCO are outrageous.
Deb Mickelson	Iron River, MI	2016-08-31	I'm signing because I am so tired of paying the high prices of uppco. It's a monopoly when there is a choice of one company.
JOHN SULLIVAN	Calumet, MI	2016-08-31	Case # U-17895
Todd Tehako	L'Anse, MI	2016-08-31	No need to raise rates.