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Re: ESP3

I wish to express my opposition to the proposed rate increase for the electricity usage in an all-electric home. This is an example of a "bait-and-switch" tactic being used to increase the rate by 30%+ by the winter of 2015/2016, and even higher by 2018. In the promotion of all-electric houses special rates were offered with the promise (understanding) of no increases over the general increases of doing business. Those who bought those houses are now being forced into a corner with no place to turn. In my case gas is not available so I am at the mercy of the electric company – take it or leave it.

Another point that has not been factored in is the resale value of my house. It appears that the devalue factor ranges 15%-30%. The older person who has been counting on the equity buildup as a support in later life expenses is taking a pretty severe hit to those expectations.

I would appreciate your efforts to maintain those values that were promised and now are being withdrawn. Thank you.

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