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Dear Sirs:

In reply to the request made by Columbia Gas: 08-0072-GA-AIR for an increase to their delivery charges: First, what is the surcharge and tax. Isn't tax only on the gas?

1. Is the first rate of \$12.97 a month for a full year?

2. What happens after the 2nd year with a \$19.76 rate per month?

3. At the current charges to me this past year, I paid \$186.92 for delivery.

4. Now, combine their new rates for the 2 yrs = \$392.76.

5. My 2nd yr. could be less or more at \$186.92 - 1st yr. Use it for 2nd yr also + that equals \$373.84. which is cheaper than their new rate.

6. Now if their 3rd yr has the same rate as the 2nd yr, the 2 yrs now equal \$474.24, which would exceed my current way they use to figure the chg. - at least \$100. more.

If they increase the rate for the 3rd yr, & all future years, what then?

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7. Therefore, it's the same situation we have when choosing our gas supplier, always costing more!!!
8. Why are the prices cheaper in Mahoning County (our neighbor) three Dollars East Ohio 807-0829-GA-AIR? Isn't Columbiana Cty poorer?
9. Therefore, considering the offer by Columbia Gas, I must say I am against it. Their offer is for their good, only & no security for us. They would ~~now~~^{now} be free to increase the price every year!

We are retired with little pension to add to Social Security. Also my husband (84) had part of his lung removed, due to cancer, so he can't have lower temperatures in the winter or real high in the summer. It isn't easy for me either, I'll be 75 in Nov. I feel they charge too much now.