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## **INCREASES! WHEN IS IT ENOUGH?**

I am writing to the ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD in regards to the application for increase by Sudbury Hydro

I am a Sudbury resident and have owned my home for 7 years now, i am

34 years old and have two young children,

I have gotten nailed with increases for the last six years at a rate that i cannot keep up with, these increases are way faster than my wages are and are becoming hard to keep up with.

Sudbury Hydro also takes care of Sudbury water and wastewater, i find that they find that it is alot easier just to increases rates year after year at an alarming rate rather than look at internal budget cuts or savings to try and diffuse some of these increases, every year they raise around 5% blaming all kind of things instead of looking at maybe mismanagement and so on.

So far this year in 2009, (in the recession that we are in) Sudbury Hydro and Water and Wastewater has increased again by 5.2% and is now applying for a 19.7% increases on the hydro side of the company.

WHEN IS IT ENOUGH????

Also Sudbury Residents are also faced with a 8.8 % tax increases, 3.6 % increase in base budget and 5.2 % property tax increase, and now are looking at a 19.7% increase in Sudbury hydro delivery charge: TOTALING ALMOST 40% IN VARIOUS INCREASES

AGAIN WHEN IS IT ENOUGH??? WHEN DO WE GET A BREAK ???
THIS IS RIDICULOUS????

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT SUDBURY RESIDENTS ARE PUTTING UP WITH THIS

I DO REALIZE INCREASES ARE NECESSARY BUT COME ON LETS TRY TO FIND CUTS INTERNALLY FIRST AND THEN LOOK AT RESIDENTS FOR SMALLER INCREASES.

BUT SO MUCH EASIER JUST TO RAISE TAXES AND OF COURSE MUCH LESS WORK !!!!!!

I do hope that they are denied this increase and that the Sudbury residents can get at least one decision that are for the families during these hard times that the economy is in.....

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