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TO: BOARD SECRETARY,
ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD.

I AM A SENIOR WHO HAS LIVED IN MY PRESENT HOME FOR OVER 39 YEARS. THIS IS AN ALL-ELECTRIC HOME, NO DUCTS, EACH ROOM HEATED BY AN ELECTRIC BASEBOARD HEATER, AND EACH ROOM HAS IT'S OWN THERMOSTAT. IT'S A SMALL SEMI-DETACHED HOUSE WITH 3 BEDROOMS, A SMALL COMFORTABLE PLACE WE HAVE CALLED HOME FOR ALMOST 4 DECADES. THE INCREASING COST OF ELECTRICITY IS CAUSING US CONCERN NOW THAT WE ARE IN OUR '70'S AND SPEND MOST OF OUR TIME AT HOME.

I HAVE MONITORED MY CONSUMPTION AND COST OF ELECTRICITY SINCE 1972, GETTING MORE DETAILED AS COSTS ROSE - 1973/4 - 12%, 1974/5 - 21%, - 1975/6 - 15%, 1976/7 - 22% - AS AN EXAMPLE. OVER THE PERIOD FROM 1972 TO 2006 I REDUCED MY CONSUMPTION BY 31%. (23,800 KW IN 1972 TO 16,408 IN 2006). MY TOTAL COST FOR 2006 WAS \$1,724.07 (IN 1972 I PAID \$292.23!!)

WITH ESCALATING COSTS EVERY YEAR, AS LOW INCOME SENIORS WHO DEPEND ON HEATING OUR HOMES IN THE WINTER, WE WONDER IF THE FUTURE IN ONTARIO WILL SHOW THAT ELECTRICITY WILL BE AFFORDABLE FOR ONLY THE WEALTHY IN OUR SOCIETY, REDUCING THE POOR AND SENIORS ON A FIXED INCOME TO THIRD WORLD STATUS. I HAVE NO E-MAIL OR COMPUTER. THIS IS MY COMMENTS ONLY. Thank you, yours sincerely,
Doreen E. Smith

YEAR	1972/73		1973/74		1974/75		1975/76	
	KW	\$	KW	\$	KW	\$	KW	\$
SEPTEMBER	2,350	29.53	1,920	28.29	1,640	27.84	1,980	37.93
NOVEMBER	3,020	36.90	2,810	38.97	3,240	48.32	2,450	44.98
JANUARY	6,730	77.71	5,840	75.33	5,750	94.57	6,240	101.92
MARCH	6,490	75.07	5,900	76.05	5,580	92.02	5,340	108.79
MAY	3,300	44.85	4,290	61.76	4,030	68.68	3,560	76.75
JULY	1,910	28.17	2,300	35.26	1,870	36.28	1,930	42.07
TOTALS	23,800	292.23	22,960	315.66	22,110	367.71	21,560	412.44
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(NOTE: - WHEN WE BOUGHT OUR HOME-NEW- IN 1968, ELECTRIC HEATING WAS SAID TO BE "THE HEATING OF THE FUTURE.", "CLEAN, AFFORDABLE.")

SAMPLE-RECORDS OF MRS. DOREEN SMITH, (905) 725-8627

YEAR	1976/77		1977/78		1978/79		1979/80	
(* E = ESTIMATED)	KW	\$	KW	\$	KW	\$	KW	\$
SEPTEMBER	1,960	41.53	2,000 ^(E)	51.25	1,720	44.95	1,780	49.50
NOVEMBER	2,530	51.79	3,060 ^(E)	75.10	2,430	60.92	2,840	76.00
JANUARY	7,580 ^(E)	175.00	7,500 ^(E)	175.00	6,160	159.00	5,470	162.13
MARCH	3,640	88.15	4,120	98.95	6,820	175.50	6,160	182.14
MAY	3,280 ^(E)	78.25	4,190	100.52	3,690	97.25	2,890	87.31
JULY	2,040	52.15	1,950	50.12	1,780	49.50	1,820	56.28
TOTALS	20,870	486.87	22,820	550.94	22,600	587.12	20,960	613.36
YEAR	1980/81		1981/82		1982/83		1983/84	
	KW	\$	KW	\$	KW	\$	KW	\$
SEPTEMBER	1,950	60.05	1,670	58.02	1,470	57.49	1,880	77.78
NOVEMBER	2,990	90.21	2,350	80.12	1,910	73.05	1,560	65.46
JANUARY	5,200	157.99	6,700	231.22	3,970	147.39	5,660	227.09
MARCH	6,230	206.22	4,780	174.94	4,540	180.19	5,200	218.71
MAY	3,670	123.02	3,360	124.53	3,810	152.08	3,150	135.07
JULY	2,210	75.57	1,540	59.92	2,240	91.64	1,820	80.80
TOTALS	22,250	713.06	20,400	728.75	17,940	701.84	19,270	804.91

(JUNE 182-)
(INSULATION TO R-30)

(FURTHER DETAILED RECORDS TO 2007.)