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Subject: Fwd: Fwd: Enbridge Price increase Att. Kirsten Walli Application #EB-2014-0039

I was reading a news article online that enbridge gas was applying to raise gas rates by up to 40% here in Ontario, I was wondering as a consumer how I could attempt to let my voice be heard about this. I and my wife are disabled and we would never see any increases to our disability incomes nowhere near 40%, therefore we will no longer be able to heat our home to any real liveable standard, presently we live in 66 degrees F. Will we have to live in 50 degrees to afford our gas bill, its one thing to ask for near inflation increases but 40 per cent is insane, our heating and hydro costs have gone up due to the cold winter so can I demand 40 per cent more from disability, of course not.

Also not just on our behalf but what about people making minimum wage or near that the places they rent will not just eat that increase they will in turn ask for much higher rental rates from the Ontario government. This rate increase will snowball many more increases causing stores to raise food prices due to higher cost to heat stores, therefore this increase will drive more people into poverty and even bankruptcy. Businesses with higher utilities cost may close or lay off workers adding more stress to an already overstressed system.

Thank you,

Richard Bisson