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Greetings,

While I can appreciate that it costs a fair bit of money to get gas to my house, I do not appreciate that so much of the cost of doing so is passed on to me.

One of the things that I truly love about gas (versus oil) is that gas prices has remained stable - at least from my point of view. My rates have not gone up, I have been thrifty with my consumption so that now most of the cost is not the actual gas itself, it's delivery and surcharges galore.

But a 40% increase just doesn't make sense. If I asked my boss for a 40% increase, I would have to justify it from here to Sunday. And you don't seem to have to justify it.

What really scares me is that some months, for some people, their budgets are so tight that a 40% increase could potentially put them out of their owned house and into a rental. What a burden for the Ontario Energy Board to carry - knowing that they now hold the power to literally put folks out of their homes. I wonder how executives sleep at night - but then again, that's part of the 40% increase, isn't it? Keeping those executives happy.

I am so disappointed by the lack of humanity and consideration shown by the Energy Board, but I am not surprised.

Personally, since it seems unavoidable and any other options other than solar are still far away, I will have to pay the increase.

Grudgingly. And I won't be such a proud gas consumer, and I certainly won't recommend it as highly as I have to date.

It seems a trend in 2014 - the government, industry, and business all combining to beat down the little guy. and you're no different. Sad to be Canadian these days.

Signed,

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