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The continued increases of distribution charges and other fees for hydro services creates a hardship for those of us with low or fixed incomes.

My last hydro bill included actual hydro charges of less than \$10. The fees and charges were over 6 times as much. This illustrates the fallacy that consumers can keep on reducing their hydro usage to cut costs.

Distribution charges and fees must be capped at some point. A more equitable arrangement would be to tie these charges to usage on an escalating (tiered) scale, so that higher usage involves a higher percentage of fees and charges.

Senior citizens like myself may not be able to reduce their hydro usage further, short of disconnecting from the grid entirely. I urge the authorities to consider incomes in setting distribution fees and other non-use fees.

Regards,  
Lynne Marie Sullivan

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