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My husband and I own a cottage on the Bruce Peninsula and for years we have known, through comparing our hydro bills with relatives and friends that are permanent residence, that we are paying higher rates and higher delivery charges. We have never understood why. We pay taxes and maintain our property so that we respect the area. We also know that seasonal property owners inject a huge amount of the income that the area depends on for the local residence and surrounding areas. A lot of the properties in our area, as well as others, are owned by senior citizens that are on fixed incomes. These seniors may have to consider selling their cottages due to high costs of the utilities, these are cottages that they have worked hard for over the years. Cottages that hold memories of their children and grandchildren, but as the costs continue to rise our incomes, as seniors do not. Our government raise this last increase was barely more than \$1.00 per month, hardly enough to compensate for large increases and unfair charges because we have a special summer place that we have worked for years to enjoy.

I am not sure if my letter will even make any difference at all but we are only two people of so many that feel the pressure that these unfair rates are affecting. I hope you will consider our situation.

Mike and Dianne Carlisle March 2, 2021