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The Ontario Energy Board

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-- Comments --

I find this application very concerning. My Equal Billing Payments went from \$92/month to \$120/month in Sept 2022, which is a 30% increase. (They were scheduled to increase to \$138 - 50% increase - but I phoned to have that adjusted). The other account I manage for my parents' condo was set to increase from \$54/month to \$104/month - nearly 100% increase. They are low-income seniors and have decided to get off of equal billing in the hopes that payments are more manageable.

I myself am a single person and I work a full-time job and a part-time job in order to make sure that my bills are paid, but with the rising cost of inflation, groceries, and basic necessities, an increase in the cost of also heating my home is something I just can't afford, and most of the people I know are in the same situation. To be clear, I am professional in my 40's, as are most of my friends.

There are very few options for natural gas in Thunder Bay, and Enbridge has already raised their rates considerably over the last few years, and they have reported \$1.7 billion in profits for the first quarter of 2022 alone. I think it would be irresponsible to the average homeowner in Ontario to allow yet another hike in a basic living necessity at a time when so many people are already struggling.

-- Receive a copy of the decision? --  
No

-- Attachment --