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The Ontario Energy Board

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EB-2018-0305

-- Name --
J Brennan

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-- Company --

-- Address --
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-- Comments --

It says that rate increase amounts are based to be the most efficient and some other factors which is extremely vague. What I see is that the greatest population is in the "Union South" and it is easiest for the company to increase their profits and pay for their amalgamation expenses by charging that area nearly double so yes it is easiest for them. As a senior in that area making less than \$20,000 per year I would be interested in knowing if all subsequent increases would follow the same formula.

Also southern Ontario is predominantly rural and this could have an impact on farmers as well. I suggest that the discount program for low earners be continued, that subsequent rate increases be held in check for a reasonable period and not an annual event and investigation and consideration be given to food producers.

In addition there is mention of future projects which could result in yet another increase - perhaps fund raising for these unnamed projects should be raised privately (at least in part) as all rates rise and it is difficult for some to cover these increases. The easiest way may not be the best way and could result in problems in other areas i.e. welfare .

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