-- Name --Katya Duhamel

-- Do you reside in the impacted service area? -- Yes

-- Comments --

I am writing to express my concern regarding Hydro Ottawa's application to increase electricity rates. As a resident of Ottawa, I am already burdened by some of the highest electricity costs in Canada, and I believe that further increases are unjustified.

High Electricity Rates in Ottawa

Ottawa's electricity rates are notably higher than those in many other Canadian cities, including those with similar or harsher climates. For instance:

Ottawa, ON: \$165.37/month for 1,000 kWh

Halifax, NS: \$158.83/month

Saskatoon, SK: \$146.49/month

Calgary, AB: \$111.70/month

Vancouver, BC: \$107.03/month

Winnipeg, MB: \$84.29/month

Montreal, QC: \$72.26/month Energy British Columbia

These figures illustrate that Ottawa residents are paying significantly more for electricity than those in other major Canadian cities, many of which experience similar or colder weather conditions. This disparity raises questions about the efficiency and cost-effectiveness of Hydro Ottawa's operations.

I oppose any further rate hikes