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

-- Comments --

Enbridge Gas posted 4.5 billion dollars in gross profit last year. Billion. With a B. They can absolutely afford the work that needs to be done. Of course they're going to try to pass the cost along to the consumer, but it is their job as the provider of services to pay for maintenance and upgrades, not ours. It is part of the cost of doing business. This cost is not going to impact their ability to do that business, as indicated by their profits above. They just want to be able to take money from their customers, who include struggling families and folks on fixed incomes, and pass it along to their already staggeringly wealthy shareholders. And it is your job, as a regulatory entity, to stop them from doing this. The cost of living is already shooting up at a rate that far exceeds the wage increases. Enbridge should have to pay its own way and pull itself up by its own bootstraps. It can clearly afford it.