



-- Name --

Snehal Patel

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

-- Comments --

I am writing to object to the proposed natural gas rate increase. This request comes at a time when households are already facing immense financial pressure from a rapidly increasing cost of living. We have seen significant hikes in taxes, electricity rates, and water bills, while wages have failed to keep pace. Furthermore, the current economic climate, exacerbated by trade tensions with our primary partners, has led to stalled job growth and economic uncertainty, placing an even greater burden on families and individuals.

Considering these extraordinary circumstances, I urge you to deny this rate increase and instead implement a pause on all natural gas rate adjustments for a minimum of 2 years. Allowing this increase would disproportionately harm consumers and further destabilize household finances. I trust that you will consider the severe impact this decision would have on the community and choose to prioritize the well-being of residents by exploring alternative solutions that do not place the entire burden on the public.