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LETTER OF COMMENT

Comments:

To Whom It May Concern, I am writing to formally express my disagreement with Alectra Utilities Corporation's application to increase electricity distribution rates and introduce additional charges effective January 1, 2027. Many households are already experiencing significant financial strain due to rising costs of living, including housing, groceries, fuel, and insurance. Electricity is a basic necessity, not a discretionary expense, and any increase no matter how it is framed places further pressure on families who are already struggling to make ends meet. The proposed rate increases and restructuring come at a time when affordability should be the priority. Even modest monthly increases add up over the year and disproportionately impact low and middle-income households, seniors, and families with children. Customers should not be expected to absorb additional costs simply because they have no alternative provider. I am also concerned about the proposal to harmonize rates across all Alectra service areas into a single, utility-wide rate zone. This approach risks unfairly penalizing customers who may already be paying higher rates or who do not directly benefit from infrastructure investments made elsewhere. Ratepayers should not be required to subsidize inefficiencies or costs that are not directly related to their local service. Furthermore, introducing new rate riders, deferral accounts, and additional charges reduces transparency and makes it harder for customers to understand and predict their electricity bills. At a time when trust and accountability are critical, adding complexity only increases frustration and uncertainty for consumers. Given the current economic climate, I respectfully submit that approving these increases would place an unreasonable burden on customers. Alectra Utilities should be required to demonstrate stronger cost control measures, explore efficiencies, and minimize impacts on ratepayers before seeking any increases. For these reasons, I urge the Ontario Energy Board to carefully consider the financial realities faced by residents and either deny the application or significantly limit the proposed increases. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on this matter. Sincerely, Rajvir Ghuman Concerned Citizen for the future.

Name: Rajvir Ghuman

Do you reside in the impacted service area?: No

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