

Senator Jim Nielsen
State Capitol, Room 2068
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Sir:

As residents of Sacramento, we were confronted with bills from PG&E in December and January that were anywhere from 170% to 250% of prior year bills. PG&E made a rate request to the CPUC that did not specify a percentage increase for ratepayers: it simply asked for certain dollar amounts of revenue, and the CPUC apparently did not require an analysis of how these increases would be applied, and how they would affect customers.

At a time when natural gas prices are at a historic low, and PG&E reported record profits and dividends for 2016, we feel that PG&E had no need for such an outrageous income increase. In addition, the CPUC did not do a sufficiently exacting analysis to protect California's ratepayers from the hardships created by these shocking charges.

We therefore respectfully request:

- (1) That any further increases be stayed until a CPUC investigation is conducted.
- (2) That the CPUC justify to the legislature their approval of the General Rate Case as requested.
- (3) That an inquiry into CPUC's process of evaluating General Rate Cases be conducted to ensure that future requests be met with safeguards for the citizens of California.

Thank you for your attention and service to your constituents.

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