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To the TN Regulatory Authority

I am a resident of Red Boiling Springs and a concerned citizen about what is going on with the Red Boiling Springs Gas Utility.

It is my understanding that the rates are to be increased. I have also heard rumors about the company that is buying the Gas Utility. The rumor as I heard it is that a man by the name of Doug Goff who started this non-profit company is buying it with government money so they can get a cheap interest rate and let his nephew who has a for profit company in Cookeville run it at a big management fee.

After talking to a few people there seems to be some merit to this rumor. I want you to investigate this situation to be sure funds are not being misappropriated. I am retired and do not have extra money for high utility bills. I do not like the idea of having my rates increased under some scheme to get a low cost government loan with our tax dollars while they ask you to raise my rates so they can draw big management fees.

I plan to contact my congressman so he can look into this matter also.

Thank you for your attention to this.

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