

Vicky Nelson - Re: In regards Piedmont Gas' request for a rate increase

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Mr. Daley,

Thank you for sharing with the TRA your concerns and opinions regarding the rate increase of Piedmont Gas Company. I will put a copy of this communications in the official docket so it can receive appropriate consideration by the agency.

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Dear Sirs and Madame: In your considerations of Piedmont Gas' request for a rate increase: As a citizen and taxpayer in Davidson County, please count my opinion as strongly against any rate increase for this utility at this time. Executive compensation, led by CEO Thomas Skains' \$7,408,102 for 2010, continues to increase. Upgrades to the utility's infrastructure are part of their normal cost of doing business, not excuses to increase rates at a time when many Middle Tennessee residents are struggling to pay their bills. Piedmont's proposed \$500,000-a-year energy conservation education program for Middle Tennessee elementary schools needlessly replicates existing programs and doesn't target actual users; it's little more than a fig leaf for what is, essentially, a stock-boosting strategy on the part of the customer. Again, please consider my opinion in your discussions. Thank you.

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