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Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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Dear Members;

The recent SCE&G electricity rate request on the heel of the increase granted in 2008 is asking too much of its customers. There should be some method for management to do their jobs and manage corporate resources more efficiently to reduce expenses within the company. You mean to say they did not see the need for environmental scrubbers coming. They should have been doing the clean emissions add-on gradually over time, and not have to wait for the EPA to require it and all at once it's a big expense.

Also, it seems that the owners (shareholders) could bear some of the expense in the form of lower dividends, which is currently $1.90 per year - over a 5% yield.

We are retired and on fixed income and this rate increase will put a squeeze on us.

Sincerely,

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