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Public Service Commission
of South Carolina
Att: Docketing Dept.
P.O. Drawer 11649
Columbia, S.C. 29211

To whom it May Concern,

Re: Docket No. 2009-489-E

This is in reference to the rate hike request of almost 100% by SCE&G.

I have friends and family who will be adversely affected by this increase if approved. Many were forced to sleep in coats and other (normally) outdoor wear during the unusual cold Winter in So. Carolina. What else can they do if rates go up??

With unemployment at an all time high, seniors loosing retirement income, savings dwindling, etc.

I find it highly unconscionable that SCE&G even considered asking for this increase.

Please take all things into consideration before making your decision; i.e. people having to choose among what to pay - utilities - food - medicine. What are we becoming? Are we creeping towards living like those in a Third World Country?

I ask that you make the only right decision and deny this rate increase.

Thank You,

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