Public Service Commission South Carolina
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Docket No. 2009-489-E

Office of Regulatory Staff:

This letter is in protest of your seeking a rate hike during this time of economic struggle unparalleled since the Great Depression. Inflation is running rampant in practically every phase of our daily existence. Unemployment is better than 10% in South Carolina with no cure in sight.

Every one well afford to weather the storm, compared to customers who do not know where their next meal is coming from. People like myself, retired and living on a fixed income, cannot afford the cost of electricity at its present rate, much less any increase.

The country is in BAD shape, and there is no guarantee we will make it back to a normal economy. As a people living in the best nation on the planet we will sacrifice any and every way possible to recover.

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SCE&G should do likewise and forget the bottom line large profit goal. Explain to your greedy stock investors the economy is in deep do do and we must all do whatever is necessary to prevent another country wide depression.

Our national is out of hand and growing daily. Our country is at war and borrows money from China everyday. China is in position to bankrupt the United States should she ask the U.S. to pay our notes. That's okay - and you want a rate increase of nearly 10%. Shame, shame on SCE&G of South Carolina for even thinking of asking for a rate increase at this time.

I wonder how many of your customers went without heat & food during our worst winter in decades? Have you no heart or mercy for anyone especially seniors, retired and taking or fixed incomes? I think it is impossible to meet my present obligations. I am 86 and retired now for 31 years and appalled at SCE&G's request for a rate increase.

Sincerely,

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