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Beatrice E. Trahan (senior citizen)



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TO: Michigan Public Service Commission
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This letter is to register my strong objection to the granting of the petition of Michcon to be relieved nine months early from the three year price guarantee of .295. When this price was offered by Michcon, they stated that this guaranteed price of .295 would be advantageous for the customer, should the price of gas increase during this three term.

It is my opinion, that Michcon's offer of the price of .295 and the customers acceptance, constituted a meeting of minds, which constitutes a contract. It is my understanding, a contract can not be desolved only by mutual consent of all parties involved.

In view of the above, I strongly recommend that Michcon's request of their petition for early release be denied!

JUST SAY NO!!!!

Thank You.

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I'm sure you realize that this action will have a ripple affect on every aspect of our Michigan economy. Businesses will be forced to raise consumer prices as a result of this increase, which in turn will slow our state's economy, and more jobs will be lost. It is evident that such an increase would be detrimental to the financial health of the State of Michigan.

I sincerely hope that you will consider the impact of these planned increases on the working, the poor and the senior citizens.

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Randall Hutton
2369 Harmony Drive
Burton, MI 48509-1163



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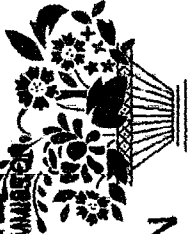
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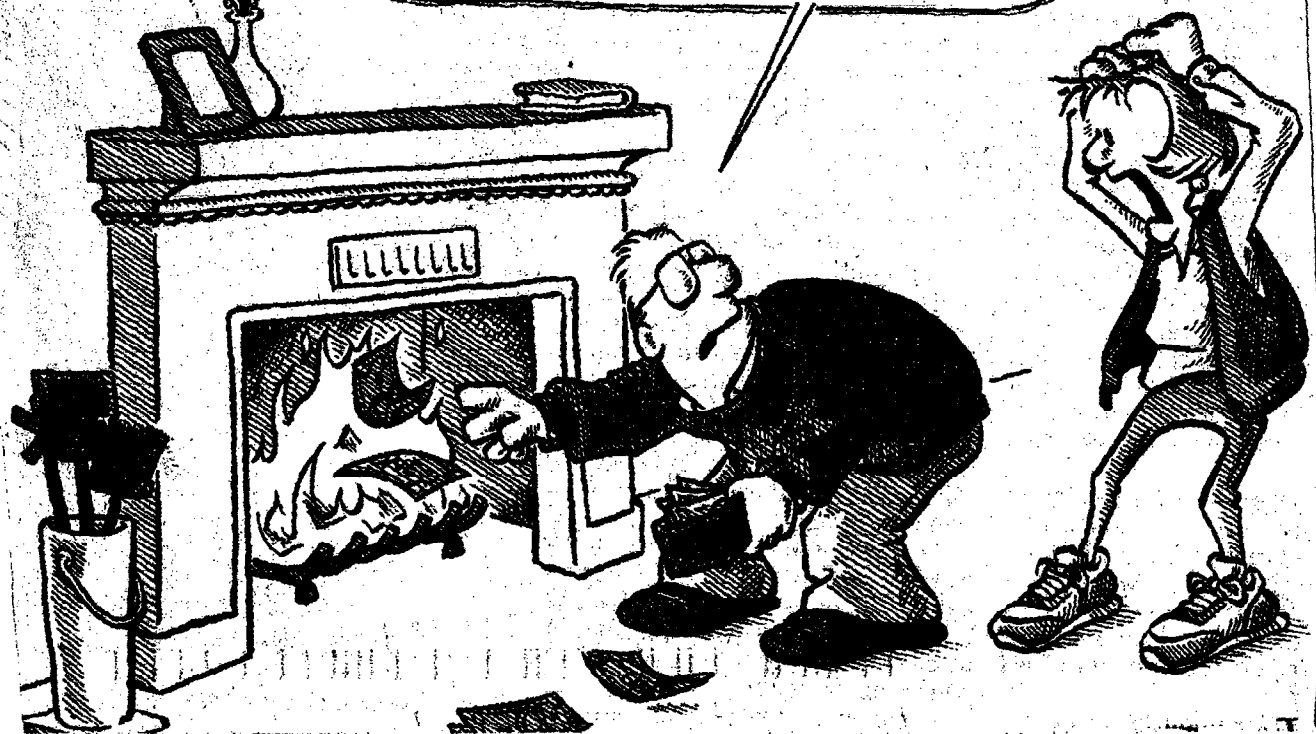
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Please I beg of you no rate
increase in gas or electricity.
I am 67 years old and just make
'ends-meet'. I am not eligible for
any kind of heating help. Any kind
of increase would make life hard
for me. Besides if the price
goes up. It will never come down
again. Just like coffee.

PLEASE NO RATE INCREASE

Elizabeth Chatfield
428 South Jennings Street
Perrinton, Michigan 48650

Because it's cheaper
than heating with gas,
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