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Dear State of CT PURA,

Pls. DENY Eversource's most recent request for another rate increase, for the following reasons:

- as a promptly-paying (residential) customer of theirs for more than 25 yrs., not one single time did they ever transparently and timely inform me of such rate increase step by them: in the 21st century, everyone has much improved communications means, and for a large (monopolistic) corporation (with a large enough investor relations capability) it cannot be too complicated or too expensive to send out an e-mail message or include a concise 1-page flyer with their monthly bill.
- PURA is kindly asked to ensure that Eversource will hold SEVERAL public hearings to state their case and provide detailed (operational and financial) information to their customers, both commercial/industrial and, especially, their residential clients; in the 25 yrs. I have been paying their bills, I cannot recall one single public hearing where the company executives explained a rate increase request, in person, within Fairfield County, in particular either in Stamford or Greenwich (special note: the company does not disclose its revenues and profits in a geographic breakdown, e.g. what is the share of revenues and profits in Fairfield County and/or, specifically, Stamford and/or Greenwich (or across its entire service area across the various counties within our State).
- Such a series of public hearings to pls. be offered via online capabilities (Video-Conferencing) and/or in person, at locations, dates and times where EVERYONE (elderly, families with young children, time-pressed professionals, business owners) can attend.
- in today's challenging environment concerning "affordability" of "daily lives" in general, PURA is requested to push Eversoruce and its top management and board of directors much harder for tariff adjustments: as an environmentally- and local economy-/neighborhood respectful household, our annual residential consumption is under 2700 kw/h - and we should not continue to be "punished" via the sharing of the same kw/h costs for those who cause way "above average" consumption, particularly during season peak-demand periods. Consequently, lower consumption residential households should benefit from an across-the-board rate reduction while additional monies could become available from those who cause peak pressures and overall excessive consumption.
- in addition, I would expect PURA to ask very specific questions as to the

anticipated demand increases over the coming 3-5 years (and beyond) due to the rapid proliferation of "A.I."-related manufacturing, production and services (including related data center services). Again: will such higher demand (and higher costs) be shared just "proportionally" across all Eversource customers or will there be a mechanism whereby those who cause this kind of high consumption increase will have to pay something extra (and that the lower-income and socially weaker, e.g. foremost the elderly on social security and other limited fixed incomes, will be afforded certainty and price increase protection)?

Respectfully submitted,
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