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First of all, I would like to thank you for taking my comments into consideration and how to determine what public actions I can take to NOT APPROVE Eversource's rate increases.

PURA's statutory mandate under CGS §16-19e is to ensure just and reasonable rates that reflect prudent and efficient utility management.

I'm a senior citizen living with my husband and both of us are living on a fixed income. Neither of us are getting a 18% increase in our income from Pension or Social Security.

Eversource's request for increase is almost (5) times the cost of living increase (3.6% in 2027). How can we afford this along with groceries, gasoline and healthcare?

In the past two years, Eversource's crews have removed all the trees that would have caused problems, but yet they say Connecticut is continuing to expand in housing, business and clean energy which is NOT TRUE. Connecticut is at the mercy of Eversource due to the lack of energy generation which would keep prices lower through competition.

Connecticut ratepayers have experienced repeated rate increases. I would like to understand whether public comments actually influence PURA's review and decisions, and how the public can determine what action was taken in response to specific concerns. Simply acknowledging receipt and directing citizens to a comment portal does not answer these questions.

Over the years, I've had to pay for Public Benefits from COVID and people who haven't paid their electricity bill, NOT FAIR!!! ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!!!!

Please DO NOT APPROVE Eversource's request for a rate hike.

Thank you again for your time and consideration of my request.

Mary Ann Hughes