



Butler County Commission

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Dear Chairman Hall and Commissioners,

The purpose of this letter is to request that the Missouri Public Service Commission not allow the proposed Liberty Utilities rate increases proposed for August 2018 in the southeast Missouri District.

In December 2017, Liberty Utilities raised our PGA rate from \$.29 to \$.54 per ccf, an increase of 86%. Our citizens are still recovering from that overall rate increase of about 30-60% (depending on quality used). Now the rate they are proposing will further increase those bills to where, if allowed, some our bills will be twice what they were prior to December 2017.

Our district, which consists of 11 counties, includes 7 of which are considered the poorest in the entire state and have high percentages of people who are living in poverty. I feel the proposed increases are unconscionable, socially irresponsible and unfair to an already poverty stricken district.

Thank you for considering my request.

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Vince Lampe / Presiding Commissioner

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Don Anderson / Eastern Commissioner

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Dennis LeGrand / Western Commissioner