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Letter of Comment

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Proceeding name: BCUC RIB RATE REPORT

Are you currently registered as an intervener or interested party? *[Yes / No]*

Name (first and last):BARRY LEIGH	
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Name (first and last):BARRY LEIGH	Date: Aug 31, 2016

Comment: Please specify the reasons for your interest in the proceeding, your views concerning the proceeding, any relevant information that supports or explains your views, the conclusion you support and any recommendations. The Commission may disallow comments that do not comply with the Rules of Practice and Procedure.

[Please write your comments in this box]

Since our property [redacted] does not have access to natural gas as an energy alternative to electricity, I would like to respond to this request for comments regarding the 2 tier electricity rates. I would state that when we rely on electric power for home heating as well as hot water and other energy needs, 800 kwh. for the first tier is impossible to meet in the winter months even while practicing energy conservation. I would suggest a fairer rate system would be to raise the first tier to 1200 kwh. or create a middle 800 kwh. tier that would have a rate mid way between the existing two tiers.

Thank you for considering my letter

Sincerely

Barry Leigh

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