



Letter of Comment

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Proceeding name

Residential two-tier electricity rates

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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.

Dear Commission,

My father's house was built in the late 80's and it has two BC Hydro meters. For decades he was given a reduced rate to heat his new house with electricity instead of a fossil fuel. Today's BC Hydro step-up tiered pricing system makes it much more expensive than necessary to heat a home with electricity; and it actually gives people reason to use fossil fuels for heat. That is the wrong message.

I am encouraged by the construction of a new green energy dam at Site C in British Columbia. The new dam has the potential to reduce BC's greenhouse gases significantly.

If we in British Columbia can reduce our own carbon emissions by converting our heating and our cars to electricity, then maybe we can feel good about exploiting and selling our cleanest fossil fuels (like natural gas) to other nations who are today burning coal for heat and power.

Please let's be sensible and do the right things for the benefit of everyone. Hydro rates should be set to encourage heating our homes and fueling our cars with electricity.

Thank you.