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British Columbia Utilities Commission

Letter of Comment

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Proceeding name	BCUC RIB Rate Report
Are you currently registered as an intervener or interested party?	No

Name (first and last)	Elizabeth Hieronymi		
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Name (first and last)	Elizabeth HIERONYMI	Date:	Nov 08 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.

To Whom It May Concern,

As a rural customer of BC Hydro I resent the tiered rate structure presently used to bill for use. I believe the reason for this is to encourage us to conserve electricity. We do not have access to natural gas and so all our utility needs must be met by electricity. Unless we are going to start generating our own we do not have any choice but to pay extra for our needs. Generating our own is not a practical project for those of us at the latter part of our lives. We do conserve in every way possible and are usually under the second tier but it is a constant concern. If natural gas was available to us we would be able to access the first tier gas rates and the first tier hydro rates therefore doubling the lower rate amounts we would be elegible for to heat and cook with. I believe that some other more equitable rate structure should be devised for BC Hydro customers without access to natural gas.

Thank you for your consideration.

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