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Letter of Comment

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Proceeding name	Resdiential Two Tier Electrical Rates
Are you currently registered as an intervener or interested party?	No

Name (first and last)	David Cunliffe		
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Name (first and last) David Cunliffe Date: 16-Aug-12

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.

I live in the [redacted] and my home is entirely dependent on electricity for all of our energy needs. We have no natural gas and I live in a condo with no ability to install a wood or oil heater. While solar is an option, it only will work in the summer when our energy needs are at the lowest. During, the winter months when our energy consumption is the highest our weather is typically overcast so solar really isn't a viable option.

The two tier rate has always seemed unfair to people like me who have no viable other options for energy. If the objective is to change people's consumption behaviour, I would prefer to see time of use billing across the province that would be fair for everyone.

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