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As a consumer, a driver and a tax payer o In this province I have always taken an interest in the fluctuations in the gas prices. Living in the lowermainland nearly all my life was especially madding for always being hit with extra taxes on gas just because of where I lived. Once I moved out of the lowermainland of course the prices came down because certain taxes came off. When I moved to Princeton BC it was there that I started to question the greed of the gas companies or the owners based on location. What troubled me was no one would or wanted to answer my question on why Princeton is always 8 to 10 cents a litre higher than other stations in the Similkameen Okanagan area? It not that rents or property values were so high or overhead as none were real full service i.e mechanics on site.I could only draw 1 conclusion greed. They are the 1st town coming out of a gnat going into the passes to Hope down the Crowsnest Highest or Highway 3 as its called. So I looked at other towns situated at or near the bottom or start to major passes or long stretches of highway with no service stations and low and behold they all ran at least 8 to 10 cents higher than the rest of the province. This is not a tax problem nor a delivery cost problem nor a high lease or property or overhead problem , this is GREED, by the owners/ gas companies. Yet no one sees it as a problem. Also when the cost of gas per barrel fell to 20.00 in April/20 or so i was living in the Okanagan. The price of gas remained at 113.9 for 2 months while the rest of the province including the lowermainland was at 100.00 or less. Across Canada to Newfoundland the prices were 69.9 to 81.9 but here in BC land of the corruption were at 113.9 to 100.0. I wrote a letter to you asking why , you didn't answer my questions you sent my a report saying you were transparent in you findings blah blah blah and that you found no cartel activity. Well well well good for you, now do the corruption here in BC and find out whose pockets are being lined with these fluctuating prices that you people always blame on taxes. So please answer why Princeton is always higher, why the Okanagan was at 113.9 for 2 months . Why is Abbotsford at 106.9 and Princeton is 116.9. Why is where I'm at 107.9 and the Okanagan 113.9. There is no stability or rhythm or reason don't blame taxes either.