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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing this email to protest the proposed rate hike by Liberty Utilities.

Liberty already has the second highest electric rates per energy.nh.gov, and they are trying to have the highest rates. We are not able to switch carriers, just as many other families in my area are not. Other carriers do not serve this area of Salem. We are effectively a hostage of Liberty Utilities. Last winter we already paid \$400+ a month for electricity, on top of our \$700 a month oil heat. It's unconscionable to pay this much. New Hampshire already has the second highest electric rates in the country, just below Hawaii. Families can't afford this. New Hampshire is becoming too expensive to live in, even though it's a tax free state.

These rates are unacceptable and families need help.

Regards,

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