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Message

Dear Commissioners, Thank you for your service to our great state. I worry after the recent legislation that this extremely important governmental body is receiving even less thanks than it deserves. Regarding the proposed rate increases I do not mind rate increases. I think higher rates encourage people to use less of our precious resources, many of which do not renew themselves. I think the fundamental idea could use a change since many residential users hate rate increases and renewables are getting cheaper than traditional sources but we are charged more for them. I think a good way forward would be to eliminate discounts for volume: large customers should pay the same rate as small ones. I would say "more" but I know there's a concern about business retention. And someone has to go first: it should be governmental organizations. Please consider slowly fazing in more and more of a single rate mindset, that change in revenue flow will allow reprioritization and make rates generally more defensible to the voters who are extremely sensitive to rate increases.