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From: Angela Charles on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2015 12:09 PM
To: 'Richard DeLong'
Subject: RE: docket number #150102-SU

Good afternoon,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 150102-SU and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Have a good day,

Angela Charles

From: Richard DeLong [<mailto:richard.delong@baker.edu>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2015 11:30 AM
To: Records Clerk
Subject: docket number #150102-SU

Are you kidding me....how can this even be considered???This is another example of a government bailout.....should I need additional funds because my roofing repair costs have increased 139%?, who should I ask? Can I come before this board? Do I go out and walk around various neighborhoods asking for donations? Should I request that my social security be increased 139% so I can pay for my roof or maybe I need to go back to work and earn additional money to pay for it, or just maybe I need to cut costs and save to prepare for this expense. Maybe they need to operate like households operate and figure out how to plan and live within our incomes without begging. It is not the taxpayers fault they made poor decisions. This request borders on unbelievable (I was going to say extortion but thought that might be a little strong) and should not even be discussed. When are we going to stop this rewarding of bad choices by using taxpayer dollars. There are other solutions that are available that would not place the entire burden of this organizations bad decisions squarely on the shoulders of the tax payer. Freeze salaries, trim fat, cut benefits, get additional business, partner with other entities, that is what most private companies and households are required to do to balance budgets. Utilities, Inc. of Sandalhaven made investment decisions (like we all did) based on data and speculation. Why should they get bailed out from their wrong decisions when individual investors are stuck with theirs, most will never recover their losses incurred during that period. Citizens (many on fixed incomes) are not in positions to handle this type of utility increase