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Dear Commissioners,

Basic residential telephone rates must not be raised. The basic service is essential for everyone to have and raising those rates would be a hardship for many.

Already people often must choose

between medicine and food - don't
 add increased telephone rates!

 If costs have truly gone up to

 supply residential telephone service,

 then raise the rates on the "extras"
 (call waiting, call forwarding, etc. etc) for

 people can do without those if necessary.

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But, the basic rate for residences needs to remain the same.

Thanks!

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