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To Whom It May Concern,

Recently, my supplement insurance, Prescription Plan D, went up. Now, Louisville Gas and Electric, requested an adjustment in their Gas and Electric Rates, the Louisville Water Company, M.D. also want rates increased. I am not talking like an \$ or 5¢ increase, I am talking about dollars increases monthly.

Like most people, my age, are living on fixed incomes, trying their best, to stay in their homes, for as long as they can take care of their self. I am Mary Ruth Helach, 82 years old.

Then, you have young couples, with children, some have lost their jobs, insurance and struggling to pay rent, utilities, put food, clothing on the table and books for their children. Some can find some type of employment and some don't have the skills and some are ill.

Then, you have some young couples, trying to make mortgage payments, no insurance, trying to keep insurance for their children, keep food on the table and clothes on their backs.

None of the foregoing, can afford the high increase that the Louisville Gas and Electric are requesting,

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The Louisville Water Company and M.S.P. are requesting.

It appears, the foregoing companies are not concerned with customer need, during this time with the economy being so bad. They only interested in their plan and their customers can not do anything, except write their concerns to you and some will not do that, because they are afraid, it will make it worse.

Being 82 years, I would rather be warm than cold at my age. and what ever, I will need to do to stay warm I will, I will give up something else, than be cold at my age, for as long as I am able.

Now, it is up to you, to make the decision about the huge increase, the Louisville Gas and Electric, The Water Company, Louisville M.S.P. or any insurance company wants an increase rate. I hope you will remember, that one day, it could be you or your loved ones, that need help, because of lost jobs, bad economics and are struggling.

Sincerely

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