

June 27, 2019

The Honorable Peter Gilbert Chairman, Pioneer Community Energy 2510 Warren Drive, Suite B Rocklin CA 95677

Chairman Gilbert:

I am writing on behalf of the Rocklin City Council to express our concerns with the proposed rate increase which is currently scheduled to be considered by your board on Monday, July 1.

To date, Pioneer Community Energy has prioritized savings for the customers it serves. The Board and staff should be commended for its focused goal of creating low and stable rates that have helped our residents enjoy significant savings from PG&E's rates. With yet another PG&E increase taking effect July 1, Rocklin residents that selected Pioneer will save approximately 15% from PG&E customers on power generation.

We are concerned because the proposed rate increase and other options considered at your June 3 meeting will mean double-digit percentage increases to our residents and businesses. While residents will continue to save some money compared to PG&E rates, we are concerned that such a dramatic rate increase will result in rates that do not meet the Board's primary objective of creating low and stable rates. Since PG&E is one of the most expensive electric providers in the country, Pioneer Community Energy should not benchmark its rates to PG&E.

We are also concerned because the proposed rate increases will cost the City of Rocklin and its taxpayers approximately \$60,000. The direct hit on our city budget will unnecessarily impact services we provide to residents.

Thank you for the consideration.

Sincerely,

Joe Patterson

Mayor

CC: Board Members, Pioneer Community Energy

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