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      I represent a local Energy Audit, Window, Insulation, & HVAC Company called Energy Alliance. We were recently made aware that Rocky Mountain Power is proposing a change to the Home Energy Savings Program. We were notified last week of a meeting to discuss changes on July 14th. After that email I logged onto the PSC site to view the tariff and the proposed changes to find out that the A/C tune ups incentive amount will be reducing dramatically July 18th.

      We have been under contract with local landlords to conduct A/C tune ups using these programs for 2 months. We now have 7 days to complete 3 months of work over 3,000 units. We are unable to even pay our technicians let alone overhead at $20. And all landlords are unwilling to pay the difference sense they don't pay the utility and will not see a return on investment. Last time we experienced a reduction like this (for insulation) the public service commission required 45-60 days notice for the change to properly be communicated to contractors and customers.
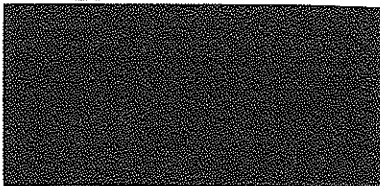
      We also want to make you aware that the program conducted a "program certification training" that they required us to pay for on June 8th 2010 (5 days after they submitted the new tariff proposal), Certifying our technicians to conduct this specific type of tune up. We then spent thousands of dollars on the testing equipment specifically to conduct these tune ups.

      We do everything that we can to work toward the same goal with these utility programs. We are simply hoping for some understanding in this situation. Thank you for your time and consideration.

      Sincerely,

Nate Murray

Energy Alliance

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