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Chairman Boyer:

After reading about the Commission hearing this morning concerning whether the public should have the right to intervene in Commission hearings, I would like to my concern about silencing the public voice. I think the public has a right to voice it's objections and if someone is willing to read through the utility filings, the Division of Public Utilities'(division) filings and the Committee of Consumer Service's filings, and find that their position in any given area is not being shared with the Commission, I feel they should be given a seat at the table.

Most times, the public's view is in concert with the Committee's poistion, and even the Division's testimony. But in some cases, those views don't coincide, and in those instances, if a citizen has the ability to spend the time and energy to present their views, I think the Commission should allow it.

Thank you for allowing me to share my view.

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