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I'm a Rocky Mountain customer currently on Schedule 2E rate option 2 (0.3/.32). I understand there is a recommendation to discontinue this rate option in favor of rate option 1 only. Is there a public comment period for this or any way to influence the outcome.

I am in favor of rate option 2, that it be continued for at least 5 years. If the objective is to shift consumer behavior to use less energy during peak periods, then rate option 2 should be available.

The survey findings starting on page 6 doesn't support the selection of rate option 1 as the best option to shift consumer behavior and reduce peak consumption. The report findings fail to characterize participant responses and usage based on rate option which is a key aspect of the research.. which rate option is more effective to achieve desired outcome. Why wasn't there a survey question about continuing with the program or signing up in the first place if only rate option 1 was available. Rate option 2 was clearly preferred by consumers throughout. The report also fails to correlate the biggest motivation in signing up which is 98% to save money with the actual consumer savings of \$184 rate plan 1 vs \$500 rate plan 2 – this is hugely significant as the primary consumer motivation is to save money.

If a consumer is taking on the significant inconvenience and discomfort of lowering energy consumption during peak periods, they better realize real savings. Rate option 2 clearly does this better. The data doesn't support the selection of one rate option vs another objectively. It is biased toward rate option 1.

I am on rate option 2 and I doubt I will continue with this program if my savings is significantly reduced. My 2018 electric spend before enrolling in 2E was \$3015. My 2021 spend was \$2164. The program has been worth it to me, but if my savings is reduced, I find the inconvenience of energy shift too bothersome and uncomfortable.

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