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Dear Commissioners:

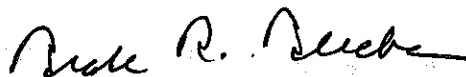
I am VERY angry about the decision to double the cost of compressed natural gas (CNG) for my vehicle. This is what I put up with to drive a CNG car:

1. It's expensive - I had to pay extra for the car.
2. It's time consuming - I have to fill up every other day because of its small fuel capacity.
3. It's inconvenient - There are very few places to fill up.
4. It's unreliable - The filling stations are often broken or operating on marginal pressure.
5. It's often useless - The car has a short range, so I can't take it on a trip.
6. It's costly to maintain - There is only one place, a Honda dealer, who will service it, and at usurious prices.

But, I had ONE advantage: lower fuel cost. Well, that was until you approved a price hike of about 100%!!!! Now I have NO advantage to driving this car because it will cost me MORE than gasoline, AND you have just cost me thousands of dollars in the car's instant depreciated value. Thanks so very much.

If you allow this increase to stand, just know that I, and everyone I can talk to, will NEVER follow the encouragement to seek fuel alternatives, because once you go through the PAIN IN THE BUTT to make the change, you will be stabbed in the back by the very government you elect to serve you!

Sincerely,



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