

No Rate Hike! No Way!

Description

[I wrote this song for the Triangle Grannies to sing at a public hearing on a proposed rate hike of 18.6% by Duke Energy, our local power company (monopoly). Despite record-breaking CEO salaries and bonuses in the multi-millions, they are crying poor. While this is a local struggle, I think the song has potential for being adapted for other struggles, as well.]

*Weâ??re the Raging Grannies and weâ??ve come to have our say,
To speak out for the people and to tell you thereâ??s no way
To justify a rate hike for Duke Energy today!
â??No rate hike! No way!â??*

CHORUS:

***So listen to the people and just turn the rate hike down.
We donâ??t want their toxic power plants polluting all our towns.
We demand that you all listen to the citizens today:
â??No rate hike! No way!â??***

The bosses at Duke Energy grow richer every day;
Theyâ??re rakinâ?? in the millions and they now want us to pay.
They got a rate hike last year and theyâ??ll get one next year, too.
Thatâ??s a thirty percent increase that they want from me and you!

REPEAT CHORUS

Theyâ??re burning coal and natural gas and itâ??s so plain to see
That theyâ??re wrecking our environment and our economy.
They shouldnâ??t be rewarded for their wasteful business plans;
Theyâ??ll build toxic plants that should be banned.

REPEAT CHORUS

**If you cave in now to their demands thereâ??ll be no end in sight
To the rate hikes that theyâ??ll take from us; that gives us quite a fright!
Theyâ??ll be building nuclear power plants with ou-ur hard-earned dough,
Fukushima should have taught us thatâ??s a crazy way to go.**

REPEAT CHORUS

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