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In short - NO, do not approve their rate increase. GMP management needs to find ways to adapt to cost increases through more efficient operations not on the backs of its customers.

First, for a house that was built for extreme weather in 2007 my monthly usage for July and August 2024 was approximately 1200 kWh and 1100 kWh, respectively. Winter usage was in the 500 kWh range. Shortly after moving in we had to add room AC to two of the bedrooms and the living/dining room. The summers have been, and expect to continue, getting longer and hotter. Rates have always been going up.

The alternative, solar, has just been made more expensive by the Trump administration cancelling the tax credits. Then we will have the need for data centers if the state is to keep pace with technology.

We can't keep paying more for essentially staying still, or even going backwards.

Who is dealing with all this?

Would like to hear your solution.

Respectfully,

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