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## General Comment

My family uses these resources constantly and consistently. We heat our home with coal, we drive our vehicles with gas, and we use electricity from both. Having the taxes increased AGAIN is not helping our economy. We have barely got out of a recession and we should not be having prices increased.

I oppose the Department of Interior's proposed rule because it is a hidden way to keep resources unobtainable. I would like this proposed rule to be withdrawn, and a tighter rule protecting the Office of Natural Resource Revenue's mission to optimize revenue from federal resources.

That being said, I would like all of you to consider what would really happen if you were to continue to add tax to resources that are already highly taxed. Companies would shut down, employees would lose their jobs, entire families would end up on some type of government assistance. This would not stop at just the families effected. Employment, in the areas that these companies reside in, would become cheap. When you have 300 people applying for the same position, you can pay as little as allowed. This will then effect businesses in the community, because families would not have spending money to spend.

Please do not do this to the American people who use energy. We cannot afford to have energy, a necessity for healthy families, be so expensive that it becomes a luxury. That is what this rule would do.

If these companies close down, due to the increased taxes, you will no longer have the current taxes coming into America's government. This will ultimately make the government lose taxes. This is not a smart idea.

For those of you who vote on this, remember that we will not forget how you voted. Also, remember you are representing those of us who are giving our opinions on this matter. You essentially work for us, and we are guiding you on your decisions. Please make a decision that will profit the people who voted you into office.