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Kevin Burke, Chief Executive Officer, & Craig S. Ivey, President  
Consolidated Edison  
4 Irving Place  
New York, NY 10003

Dear Mr. Burke and Mr. Ivey:

I am deeply troubled by news that Con Edison is seeking to increase its gas and electric rates for New York residents. While it is necessary that Con Edison ensure that its infrastructure is made more resilient in the face of future severe weather events, we will simply not tolerate passing these costs on to ratepayers. As I have said before, New Yorkers cannot and should not be asked to pay more just to receive consistent and uninterrupted service.

The City Council demands to see a comprehensive plan to pay for infrastructure improvements that doesn't include rate increases.

Many New Yorkers are still recovering from the effects of Hurricane Sandy. For a private company that New York City relies on for vital services to propose a rate increase now is a burden on city residents and an impediment to the recovery process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christine C. Quinn".

Christine C. Quinn  
Speaker