

Social Studies, Grade 8

Unit IX: Lesson B5

Report: **Public Utilities**



Research the regulation of public utilities in your community. Contact your state public utilities commission for information. Interview some people in your community or members of the school faculty about the performance and regulation of public utilities. Some questions you can use are:

- What is your opinion of the services provided by public utilities?
- Are some services more efficient than others?
- Do you agree with the way public utilities are regulated?
- In your opinion, is this control too strict, not strict enough, or about right?
- What opportunity do citizens have to make their feelings known to their state public utilities commission?

Summarize your findings in a written report.

Share your findings with the class.