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## Phone rate hike protest begins

## By LINDA BROWN Staff Writer

Petitions protesting Southern Bell telephone company's recent rate increase proposal are now being circulated on campus, Student Body President Bob Saunders said Tuesday.

Representatives from Student Government, the Residence Hall Association, the Student Consumer Action union, the Panhellenic Council and the Inter-Fraternity Council met Tuesday to plan strategy against the proposal.

The proposed increase, filed Sept. 4 with the N.C. Utilities Commission, calls for a \$40.00 installation fee for Chapel Hill residents, with a \$5.35 credit for dorm residents who turn in installation cards to their residence directors. The student fee then would be \$34.75.

The present installation fee is \$18.20 for Chapel Hill residents and \$15.20 for dorm residents who turn in cards.

Saunders said campus representatives have said they would like to see an increase of the proposed \$5.35 credit for oncampus students, and a credit set up for off-campus students.

He said the group also wanted to see the cost breakdown of what Southern Bell calls the "central office work charge." "We've been promised one and we haven't seen it yet," he said. Saunders first asked for a cost breakdown at a meeting with Southern Bell representatives on Sept. 12.

A breakdown of what it costs Southern Bell for central office work would show whether the proposed increase would

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aid in financing the electronic switching system Southern Bell is planning to install in July, and, Saunders said, it would satisfy his curiosity of what justification Southern Bell had for the increase.

"With the new equipment they're getting, which would emphasize this 'twist of the wrist' philosphy, I don't see how they can go up \$16," he said.

RHA President Peggy Leight, said letters also will be sent to other North Carolina schools to find out if they will be affected by the proposed increase.

"I hope we can get 8,000 signatures from residence halls," Leight said. "And maybe 6,000 from off campus." Aside from the petitions being distributed in residence halls and off campus, a table is now set up in front of the Carolina Union for people who want to sign petitions protesting the rate increase.

Leight said after the petitions were completed they would be taken to the N.C. Utilities Commission, and the campus groups would ask the commission for a public appeal on the

RHA and Student Government protested Southern Bell's last rate increase and presented 5,000 signatures on a petition to the utilities commission last year. Southern Bell's request was denied, but later a request for 56 percent of the original amount was approved.

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than what we've got now," he said. "The biggest scandal in America today happens every four years when all those people don't vote," he said.

With his knowledge of the FBI and undercover work he did in the Army, Liddy outlined the inner workings of the country's intelligence agencies and provided a look into the world of wiretapping and espionage.

"Today the FBI infiltrates...foreign and friendly embassies, as does the CIA overseas. That is part of the facts of life in intelligence," he said.

Responding to a question about Phillip Agee, the ex-CIA agent who revealed agency secrets in a best-selling book, Liddy expressed his disgust at Agee's lack of loyalty.

"I think the CIA ought to whack Agee, and if I were in a position to do it, I would not hesitate to do it for them. Phillip Agee is worth blowing away," he said.

Liddy, who masterminded the Watergate break-in in 1972, was cheif counsel to the Committee to Re-Elect the President at the time. Liddy is the author of Will and Out of Control and was the chief architect of "Operation Gemstone" which detailed the 1972 break-in of the Democratic National Headquarters at the Watergate Hotel in Washington.

"Just being alive, waking up in the morning, involves risks," he said. "There's always a price to be paid. There is no free lunch."

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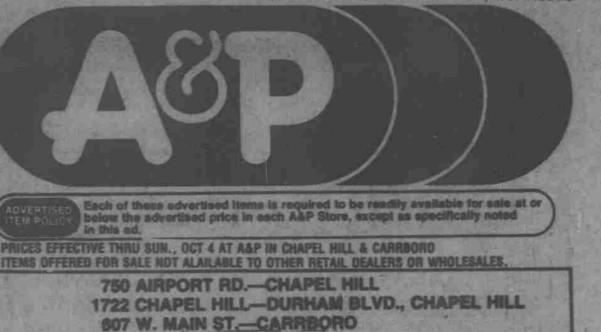
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