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PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION

Reference: Application for and Adjustment in Sewer Rates by the Farmdale Development Corporation
Case No. 2006-00028

Dear Ms. O'Donnell,

In accordance with a notice that I received from the Farmdale Development Corporation I am requesting that the requested rate increase be denied at this time for the following reasons:

- 1. When I requested a copy of the application and attachments as instructed. It took over a week and a half to get a response and then I only got pages 1, 2,3,4,5, and 9. I have not received the complete application let alone the attachments. How are we, the consumer, suppose to review and respond without complete information. I have since downloaded the application and attachments from your Website (I would like to thank the Commission for posting them).
- 2. The notice states that they are requesting a 86.82% increase. When you figure the monthly surcharge the increase is actually over 333% increase. When you go from paying \$19.05 per month to paying \$63.51 per month there isn't any other way to look at it!
- 3. In reviewing some of the estimates for repairs and upgrades, some of the names on the documents began to sound the same. Why would the Public Service Commission allow increases based on bids that a Corporation is given itself through other companies that the same people are part of? Where I come from this is call having the fox guarding the henhouse. This appears to be crooked even if it isn't, especially when you add the fact they did not send any of the attachments to me. This information is a matter of Public Record and can be found at the Secretary of State's web site.
- 4. About a year ago, I'm not certain as to the exact dates, Franklin County Fiscal Court started the process of replacing the Farmdale sewer system with a public sewer system. The plan as I understand it is to include the new US127 corridor and the package treatment plants along the way. This information is available from the Franklin County government. Why would anyone want to start a three year plan on updating a plant that will more than likely be replaced with a public system within that time? Doesn't make much sense to me.

- 5. My wife and I purchased our Home in 1983. The house was new at the time. For the last 10 to 12 years we have had problems with our system backing up. This was reported to the appropriate representative of the Farmdale Development Corporation. We were always told the same thing: There's nothing wrong with the system at your location. It has to be your lines. Imagine my surprise to find that one of the findings of Murphy's Excavating was that there were three locations where the roots had the lines blocked 90%. Did this get this way over night, I don't think so. Now those roots were there all along or there is something strange going on! In all of the years we have lived here, the Farmdale Development Corporation has never done anything to our sewer. In fact the first time we contacted their representative, a gentleman from Georgetown, KY, he told us that he didn't even know the Briarwood Subdivision was even on the system.
- 6. How come the notice we received is dated January 12, 2006 and it was posted by your office on the 19<sup>th</sup>. I don't believe that it is because of an delay on your staff's part. According to the notice we only have 30 days to respond to the Public Service Commission. Loose a week here and a week there first thing you know the 30 days are gone. In fact maybe you should ask the Attorney General Office to take a look at this. Are the bids all from the same bunch legal? Can they only send out the information they want instead of what is prescribed by law? How can the public review what they don't have?

In closing, again I ask that the requested increase be denied, in fact I am requesting that any increase at all be denied. To ask for a increase in this amount is unjustified and should be considered price gouging if not out and out stealing.

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Sincerely

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