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Re: N. Ky Water District raising rates 25%

To whom it may concern,

I am a mother of 5 children. My husband who has always been the bread winner and supported us for so many years has been laid off twice in recent years from his good paying job. After the most recent layoff of 7 months, he has now taken a job making 7.00 less an hour. I have had to find a part time job and our children have had to be put in before and after school programs. At this point my husband is looking at taking another part time job. Let me explain to you we don't live extravagantly. We have had to lower our grocery budget, get rid of cable and internet and have just basic emergency use for our cell phones. Everyday we are just trying to provide for our children. Now ANOTHER company is wanting to run up rates. Why do they not have to be audited to see where they can make cuts? Why do they not have to live within their means so to speak? So basically what happens with N.Ky Water Company and every other company , instead of focusing on cost saving and making reasonable cuts, they want to raise rates to make more money. How much more can we can take? We are in a lousy economy and lousy housing market. I have 3 homes on my block in foreclosure. I am appalled and ashamed that now of all times the water company is wanting to raise rates. My answer is do what the rest of us have done. Trim the fat and extras off your budget. Half the time when you see a water truck you see 3-4 guys standing around talking, or reading a paper or on their cell phones. Everyone else has had to do more with less why can't the water company? Duke energy will be the next to run up rates and then Cincy bell and so on and so on. It never ends. These companies are always wanting more money out of our pockets and more money that is taking food away from our tables. Please Please Please do the right thing and don't allow them to raise rates until they atleast are doing their share by trimming the fat and excess off their books.

Sincerely,

Leslie Kuetemeyer