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REID VILLAGE WATER DIST. CUSTOMER.
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TO:

MEMBERS OF THE P.S.C.
211 SAWYER BOULEVARD
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SUBJECT: REID VILLAGE WATER
DISTRICT RATE INCREASE OF
FROM 29% TO 40%.

BASIC WATER CUSTOMER
RATES WILL INCREASE BY
34%.

I HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE
OF A MAJOR EXPANSION OF
THE WATER DISTRICT THAT WOULD
REQUIRE AN INCREASE OF
THIS SIZE. IT IS AN
UNREASONABLE REQUEST, AND
HIGHLY INFLATIONARY REQUEST.

I DO NOT PLAN TO INTERVENE
WITH THE P.S.C., BUT I ASK
THAT YOU CONSIDER THIS LETTER
AS MY FORMAL COMPLAINT AGAINST
THIS RATE INCREASE.

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I AM A RETIRED FACTORY WORKER, AND LIVE ON A FIXED INCOME. I JUST RECEIVED WORD THAT I WILL GET A 1.7% INCREASE ON MY SOCIAL SECURITY. THAT WILL AMOUNT TO \$26.00 A MONTH.

I USE ON AVERAGE 5000 GALLON OF WATER A MONTH, WHICH MEANS APPROXIMATELY \$14.00 OF MY S.S. INCREASE WILL GO TO R.V.W.D. THAT LEAVES ME \$12.00 TO PAY FOR INCREASES ON MY HEALTH CARE, MEDICINE, GROCERIES, AND ALL OTHER UTILITIES, ECT.

I AM A REASONABLE PERSON, I REALISE THAT ALL UTILITIES NEED RATE INCREASES TO COVER NEW COST, BUT THEY ALSO NEED TO WORK ON COST REDUCTIONS AND KEEP ADMINISTRATION COST TO A minimum.

I HAVE 2 SUGGESTIONS FOR THE P.S.C.

#1 SPREAD A LARGE INCREASE LIKE THIS ONE, OVER A PERIOD OF 5 TO 7 YEARS, AT A RATE OF 5% PER YEAR. MANY CUSTOMERS COULD ABSORB THIS MUCH EASIER.

#2 STOP GIVING FIXED RATE INCREASES, AND MAKE ALL →

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RATE INCREASES ON USAGE ALONE. CUSTOMERS CAN CONTROL USAGE AND WOULD CUT DOWN ON WASTE.

IN CLOSING I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT 95% OF R. V. W. D. CUSTOMERS WILL NOT KNOW ABOUT REQUEST FOR RATE INCREASE, UNTIL THEY SEE IT ON NEXT MONTHS BILL. PUBLIC NOTICE ARTICLES ARE PLACED IN A SECTION OF NEWSPAPERS THAT 95% OF PEOPLE DO NOT READ.

Thank you
James B. Patrick