

**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "gball"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:46:00 PM

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Dear Mr. Ball:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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**By Kentucky PSC at 3:02 pm, Feb 27, 2018**

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**From:** gball [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 3:18 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** comment for PSC Case No. 2018-00017

I just offered a comment on a case related to this (2016-00142) as both are related to the Martin County Water District. Please put our water district into receivership! I have researched the statutes of what is defined as "abandoned" in terms of the water district. They have failed to abide by past PSC orders dating back to over a decade. They are unable to meet their currently financial obligations to pay vendors. They are unwilling to consider any actions that might enable them to continue -- namely an offer by Prestonsburg City Utilities to purchase the tank that supplies the federal prison. Granting this 50 percent rate increase will be a slap in the face of water customers who will be forced to bear the burden of past mismanagement when the district could have taken steps to sell a substantial amount of water to the prison and

shared in the bounty of having a new customers needing 250,000 gallons of water per day. Think of the money the district could have made simply by getting their act together. Unfortunately, that ship has already sailed. We have no one to blame but our own leaders. Putting it into receivership, from a water customer standpoint, is our only hope of ever getting reliable, safe drinking water. My name is Gary Ball, and yes, unfortunately, I am a customer of the Martin County Water District. If I lived a mile across the river in West Virginia, I would have Kermit water -- good water. For your information, during the recent water crisis, Kermit sold Martin County roughly 400,000 gallons of water and billed MCWD \$1,022 (a very good rate at a little over \$2 per 1,000 gallons). The bill was due yesterday. If not paid on time, a later charge of \$100 will be added. I know this because I ran across the Kermit mayor yesterday, thanked him for helping us out in a crisis and asked if the water district had paid its bill to Kermit. I was told they hadn't. He saw a story in our paper where MCWD owed Prestonsburg City Utilities over \$63,000. He was not optimistic about receiving payment, saying that during the crisis when John Mills (MCWD operations manager) called him to ask that they be hooked to Kermit again, he told Mills only if he gave him his word that they would be paid. He said Mills told him yes. A lot of people living in that area have kinfolk here. The mayor said they were willing to help -- and even went to the point of repairing a line break on their side of the river when it failed -- to service that section of Martin County. It's a very small water district capable of treating about 700,000 gallons per day. They don't have a water board. The city council oversees operations and it's ran in a very efficient manner. They've dealt with MCWD in the past and had trouble getting paid. The mayor told me that next billing cycle shows they will owe around \$2,000. He seemed almost apologetic to me, saying he hated what happened and he knew they were taking a chance selling water here. But, as he said, they are a small operation and have bills to pay.

**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Carol Preece"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:45:00 PM

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Dear Ms. Preece:

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**From:** Carol Preece [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 12:07 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** Case # 2018-00017

**To whom it may concern,**

**I am writing to let you know that I object to the sale of the prison water tank to Prestonsburg, Ky. We bought and paid for this tank 20 years ago. . Our coal severance and other money was invested to give our county the opportunity. Money from sales to the prison will put our district in a better position financially and can be used to fix the distribution system.**

**Sincerely,**

**Carol Preece**

**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Lisa Stayton"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:44:00 PM

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Dear Ms. Stayton:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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**From:** Lisa Stayton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 12:32 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** Case Number 2018-00017

Dear Commissioners:

As a resident of Martin County and customer of Martin County Water District, I respectfully request that you do not approve a sale to Prestonsburg City Utilities of our water tank that serves the federal prison and Honey Branch Industrial Park in Martin County.

This is the best tank in our water district. The transmission line that supplies the tank is the best in our district (it doesn't leak and represents profit instead of loss). The federal prison is the single largest customer in our district and presents the best opportunity to bring in money. If we are to keep our water district, it makes no sense to throw away the part that works best.

Please note that the prison tank and water lines serving the prison and the Honey Branch Industrial Park, represent a project that our community invested in 20 years ago. Our county's portion of coal severance tax funds and other money was invested to give us this opportunity. Even though past boards have failed to seize the opportunity properly, our water district needs this opportunity now.

The sale of this tank would rob the people of Martin County and customers of Martin County Water District.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,  
LISA SMITH STAYTON  
PO Box 938  
114 Becca Liz Lane  
Inez, KY 41224



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Penn, Tyler M."](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:43:00 PM

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Dear Mr. Penn:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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**From:** Penn, Tyler M. [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 2:00 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** Case Number 2018-00017

Hello,

My name is Morgan and I live in Martin County, Kentucky. I am emailing you because I object to the sale the prison water tank. Please take into consideration the community that it will effect.

**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Jimmie Pack"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:43:00 PM

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Dear Mr. Pack:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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**From:** Jimmie Pack [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 1:57 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** Case 2018-00017 Martin County Water District

I oppose the sale of the storage tank to the Prestonsburg water district. The tank is located near the USP Big Sandy and can generate over \$50,000.00 a month in needed revenue. The Water District has mismanaged and stolen monies for at least 20 years and now they say this sale will help pull them out of the hole they are in. The PSC needs to audit the Utility Board and the management. They have operated a shell game and paid employees as well let them act as "consultants" on new projects as well as using these practices to provide kickbacks to the County Judge Executive. The entire bunch should go to prison for allowing the water to fall to such a state that it is not drinkable as well as the theft of monies.

Thank you,

Jimmie Pack  
Warfield, KY 41267



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:43:00 PM

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Dear Ms. Stacy:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 12:41 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** Case Number 2018-00017

As a resident of Martin County I object to the sell of the water tank to the City of Prestonsburg or any other entity. We need the tank and revenue to help financially.

Thank you,  
Rita Stacy  
506 Wickerfield Rd  
Inez, Ky 51224

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:42:00 PM

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Dear Mr. Preece:

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 8:04 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** Case Number 2018-00017  
**Importance:** High

Case Number 2018-00017

I'm a resident in Inez. I'm against the sell of the water tank that Prestonsburg wants to buy. The location is at the Federal Prison on New Route 3.

Thank you,  
Wayne Timothy Preece  
PO Box 232  
Inez, KY 41224

**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Tonya Alley"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:42:00 PM

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Dear Ms. Alley:

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From: Tonya Alley [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 2:42 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
Subject: Case number 2018-00017

I disagree with selling the tank at the federal prison and industrial park to Prestonsburg. Martin county needs that revenue desperately to get back on track to fix our water infrastructure. Please don't take one of the positive money making opportunities we have away.

Thank you,  
Tonya Alley

**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "[Kristopher Van Meter](#)"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:29:00 AM

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Dear Mr. Van Meter:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Kristopher Van Meter  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:10 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

Dear Public Service Commission,

For years, Martin County residents have endured shoddy, unreliable and unsafe water service. In January, they faced nightly water shutoffs and water too contaminated to drink. The Martin County Water District (MCWD) and the local leadership in Martin County have displayed an almost willful disregard for the waterless plight of the county residents and a demonstrated inability to manage and maintain the water system.

The community is facing a water emergency comparable to Flint, Michigan and other water systems across the country that have suffered from disinvestment and contamination.

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The PSC has repeatedly found that the MCWD has not maintained the system, has often had water loss rates around 60 percent over the past decade (four or more times higher than the state-directed 15 percent loss rate). The PSC

should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kristopher Van Meter  
PO Box 663  
Simpsonville, KY 40067-0663



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Russell Byrd"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:29:00 AM

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Dear Mr. Byrd:

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Russell Byrd  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:10 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

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Sincerely,

Mr. Russell Byrd  
1100 Longfield Ave  
Louisville, KY 40215-2728



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "[Lindsey Hughes](#)"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:29:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Hughes:

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Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Sincerely,

Ms. Lindsey Hughes  
600 N Hurstbourne Pkwy  
Louisville, KY 40222-5385



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "[Bobbiejo Winfrey](#)"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:28:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Winfrey:

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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

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Kentucky Public Service Commission

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Sincerely,

Ms. Bobbiejo Winfrey  
6101 Green Manor Dr  
Louisville, KY 40219-2526



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Andrew Bartlett"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
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Dear Public Service Commission,

My understanding that Martin County residents have for at least a couple years endured shoddy, unreliable and unsafe water service. In January, they faced nightly water shutoffs and water too contaminated to drink. The Martin County Water District (MCWD) and the local leadership in Martin County have displayed an almost willful disregard for the waterless plight of the county residents and a demonstrated inability to manage and maintain the water system.

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203 Cornell Pl  
Louisville, KY 40207-2929



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Anne Autry"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:28:00 AM

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Anne Autry  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:11 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Anne Autry  
821 Eastland Dr  
Villa Hills, KY 41017-1071



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Susan Smith"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:27:00 AM

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Ms. Susan Smith  
113 Sonoma Dr  
Frankfort, KY 40601-7818



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["David Wilson"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:25:00 AM

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Mr. David Wilson  
112 st.  
Lexington, KY 40505



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Robert Markham"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
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519 S Jefferson St  
Princeton, KY 42445-2115



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**To:** ["Mary Danhauer"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:40 PM  
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Ms. Mary Danhauer  
7012 State Route 56  
Owensboro, KY 42301-9513



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Ethan Hattendorf"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:24:00 AM

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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

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Sincerely,

Mr. Ethan Hattendorf  
4920 Church St  
Taylor Mill, KY 41015-1755



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Mark Binzer"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:24:00 AM

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Mark Binzer  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:41 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
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Mr. Mark Binzer  
120 Buckhorn Ct Apt 3  
Erlanger, KY 41018-1958



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Linda Frantz"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:24:00 AM

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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:40 PM  
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Ms. Linda Frantz  
3305 Ridge Brook Cir  
Louisville, KY 40245-5616



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Lynda Howard"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:23:00 AM

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Mrs. Lynda Howard  
487 Wheaton Way  
Eddyville, KY 42038-8899



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "louis PARRISH"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
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Mr. louis PARRISH  
145 Marine Dr  
Ledbetter, KY 42058-9584



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Ivan Bailen"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:23:00 AM

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Mr. Ivan Bailen  
1618 Shady Ln  
Louisville, KY 40205-1035



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**To:** "Reginald Wells"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:22:00 AM

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Sincerely,

Mr. Reginald Wells  
1160 Kilrush Dr  
Lexington, KY 40504-1362



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Martha Flack"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:22:00 AM

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Martha Flack  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:41 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

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Sincerely,

Ms. Martha Flack  
12011 Luray Ct  
Louisville, KY 40245-1828



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "Tim Fleischer"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:21:00 AM

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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 6:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
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Mr. Tim Fleischer  
1247 Milton St  
Louisville, KY 40217-1519



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Jack Harrison"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:21:00 AM

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Mr. Jack Harrison  
4006 Mamaroneck Rd  
Louisville, KY 40218-4714



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Sheree Krider"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:21:00 AM

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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 6:10 PM  
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Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

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Ms. Sheree Krider  
70 Mammoth Cave Loop Rd  
Cave City, KY 42127-9239



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Todd Reale"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:20:00 AM

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Todd Reale  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 7:10 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
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Mr. Todd Reale  
208 Choctaw Rd  
Louisville, KY 40207-1653



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "[Kerry Campbell](#)"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:20:00 AM

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Kerry Campbell  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 6:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
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Ms. Kerry Campbell  
3253 Fieldcrest Dr  
Erlanger, KY 41018-2208



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "Shayna O'Kelley"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:20:00 AM

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Shayna O'Kelley  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 6:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

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Sincerely,

Ms. Shayna O'Kelley  
222 Lindsay Ln  
Russellville, KY 42276-9621



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Elvenia Blair"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:19:00 AM

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Elvenia Blair  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 7:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Ms. Elvenia Blair  
123 Black Bottom Rd  
Jeremiah, KY 41826-9011



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Patricia Roles"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:18:00 AM

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Patricia Roles  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 8:10 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

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Mrs. Patricia Roles  
2208 Wynnewood Cir  
Louisville, KY 40222-6342



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "Paulette Collins"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:18:00 AM

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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 7:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Mrs. Paulette Collins  
5315 Alexandria Pike  
Cold Spring, KY 41076-2109



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Edward Handley"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
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Mr. Edward Handley  
10403 Tollhouse Ct  
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**To:** ["Raymond Barry"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Raymond Barry  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 8:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

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Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Mr. Raymond Barry  
3415 Snaffle Rd  
Lexington, KY 40513-1087



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Betsy Ruhe"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:17:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Ruhe:

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Betsy Ruhe  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 8:10 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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How about getting the state or feds to pitch in some money to update the water system instead of dumping all the costs on the residents, too many of whom live in poverty.

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Betsy Ruhe  
4553 Southern Pkwy  
Louisville, KY 40214-1414



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "Hilary Harris"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:16:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Harris:

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Hilary Harris  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 8:44 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Sincerely,

Miss Hilary Harris  
4930 Clarksville Rd  
Russellville, KY 42276-9104



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Joan Leachman"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:16:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Leachman:

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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 8:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Joan Leachman  
503 N Jackson St  
Campbellsville, KY 42718-1820



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "Alan Linville Sr."  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:15:00 AM

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Dear Mr. Linville:

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Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 9:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Sincerely,

Mr. Alan Linville Sr.  
38 Royal Dr  
Louisville, KY 40214-5820



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "Gayle Sprague"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:15:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Sprague:

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Gayle Sprague  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 9:10 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Gayle Sprague  
21 Shenandoah Dr  
Florence, KY 41042-2117



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Tiffany Vair"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:14:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Vair:

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Tiffany Vair  
320 Penbrooke Dr  
Elizabethtown, KY 42701-5684



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "[Jennifer Edelen](#)"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:14:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Edelen:

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Jennifer Edelen  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 9:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Jennifer Edelen  
6304 Hanses Dr  
Louisville, KY 40219-1909



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Anna Wilson"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:12:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Wilson:

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Anna Wilson  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 10:11 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Sincerely,

Ms. Anna Wilson  
12107 Dolores Ct  
Walton, KY 41094-7495



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Barbara Kelly"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:11:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Kelly:

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Barbara Kelly  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 11:41 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Barbara Kelly  
6009 Mint Spring Branch Rd  
Prospect, KY 40059-8611



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Patricia Nazzaro"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:11:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Nazzaro:

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Patricia Nazzaro  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 10:40 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

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Sincerely,

Ms. Patricia Nazzaro  
10020 Calava Ct  
Union, KY 41091-9086



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "[Jessica Justice](#)"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:10:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Justice:

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Jessica Justice  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:41 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

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should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jessica Justice  
464 Singleton Branch Rd  
Wellington, KY 40387-8299



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Brian K Sutton"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:10:00 AM

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Dear Mr. Sutton:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

As you noted, the case number in this matter is 2018-00017. It would be helpful if you would please refer to it in any further correspondence.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Brian K Sutton  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 12:41 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

Dear Public Service Commission,

For years, Martin County residents have endured shoddy, unreliable and unsafe water service. In January, they faced nightly water shutoffs and water too contaminated to drink. The Martin County Water District (MCWD) and the local leadership in Martin County have displayed an almost willful disregard for the waterless plight of the county residents and a demonstrated inability to manage and maintain the water system.

The community is facing a water emergency comparable to Flint, Michigan and other water systems across the country that have suffered from disinvestment and contamination.

The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) must reject the water district's application to raise water rates. While the system clearly needs funding, residents cannot afford to pay more for unsafe water.

The PSC has repeatedly found that the MCWD has not maintained the system, has often had water loss rates around 60 percent over the past decade (four or more times higher than the state-directed 15 percent loss rate). The PSC

should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Mr. Brian K Sutton  
8707 Best Ct  
Louisville, KY 40242-3421



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "[Rebekah Diballa](#)"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:10:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Diballa:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Rebekah Diballa  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 11:41 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

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The PSC has repeatedly found that the MCWD has not maintained the system, has often had water loss rates around 60 percent over the past decade (four or more times higher than the state-directed 15 percent loss rate). The PSC

should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Ms. Rebekah Diballa  
1609 Birch Hill Ct  
Florence, KY 41042-1050



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["J. Venneman"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:09:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Venneman:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of J. Venneman  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 7:42 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 27, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

Dear Public Service Commission,

For years, Martin County residents have endured shoddy, unreliable and unsafe water service. In January, they faced nightly water shutoffs and water too contaminated to drink. The Martin County Water District (MCWD) and the local leadership in Martin County have displayed an almost willful disregard for the waterless plight of the county residents and a demonstrated inability to manage and maintain the water system.

The community is facing a water emergency comparable to Flint, Michigan and other water systems across the country that have suffered from disinvestment and contamination.

The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) must reject the water district's application to raise water rates. While the system clearly needs funding, residents cannot afford to pay more for unsafe water. Additionally, it is unfair not to have invested in the water system while collecting public water utility fees.

The PSC has repeatedly found that the MCWD has not maintained the system, has often had water loss rates around



60 percent over the past decade (four or more times higher than the state-directed 15 percent loss rate). The PSC should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

It is for the above reasons and most especially the unfairness with which the system has been handled over the past decades that I urge you to reject this rate increase. Years of neglect on the utilities part does not constitute an emergency of funds through rate increases on the public's part.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Ms. J. Venneman  
4707 Lynn Lea Rd  
Louisville, KY 40216-2840



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Julie Pease"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:09:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Pease:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Julie Pease  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 7:42 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 27, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

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The PSC has repeatedly found that the MCWD has not maintained the system, has often had water loss rates around 60 percent over the past decade (four or more times higher than the state-directed 15 percent loss rate). The PSC

should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Ms. Julie Pease  
471 Kings Mill Rd  
Danville, KY 40422-9782



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Paulette Fiehrer"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:08:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Fiehrer:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Paulette Fiehrer  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 9:12 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 27, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

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The community is facing a water emergency comparable to Flint, Michigan and other water systems across the country that have suffered from disinvestment and contamination.

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should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Ms. Paulette Fiehrer  
1210 Edgehill Rd  
Covington, KY 41011-1108



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "sharon.klod"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:08:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Klod:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of sharon.klod  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 9:12 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 27, 2018

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The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) must reject the water district's application to raise water rates. While the system clearly needs funding, residents cannot afford to pay more for unsafe water.

The PSC has repeatedly found that the MCWD has not maintained the system, has often had water loss rates around 60 percent over the past decade (four or more times higher than the state-directed 15 percent loss rate). The PSC

should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sharon Klod  
3468 Lansdowne Dr  
Lexington, KY 40517-1124



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Louise Malone"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:08:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Malone:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Louise Malone  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 8:12 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 27, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

Dear Public Service Commission,

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The community is facing a water emergency comparable to Flint, Michigan and other water systems across the country that have suffered from disinvestment and contamination.

The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) must reject the water district's application to raise water rates. While the system clearly needs funding, residents cannot afford to pay more for unsafe water.

The PSC has repeatedly found that the MCWD has not maintained the system, has often had water loss rates around 60 percent over the past decade (four or more times higher than the state-directed 15 percent loss rate). The PSC



should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Louise Malone  
3001 Hilo cy.  
Lou, KY 40220



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Marta Wood"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:06:00 AM

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Dear Ms. Wood:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Marta Wood  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 9:12 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 27, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

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The community is facing a water emergency comparable to Flint, Michigan and other water systems across the country that have suffered from disinvestment and contamination.

The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) must reject the water district's application to raise water rates. While the system clearly needs funding, residents cannot afford to pay more for unsafe water. A rate hike should not be permitted for this institution that has clearly mismanaged the funding it has received.

The PSC has repeatedly found that the MCWD has not maintained the system, has often had water loss rates around

60 percent over the past decade (four or more times higher than the state-directed 15 percent loss rate). The PSC should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marta Wood  
2606 Clays Mill Rd  
Lexington, KY 40503-2228



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "Bill Whelan"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:30:00 AM

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Dear Mr. Whelan:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Bill Whelan  
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 5:10 PM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 26, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

Dear Public Service Commission,

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The community is facing a water emergency comparable to Flint, Michigan and other water systems across the country that have suffered from disinvestment and contamination.

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should provide training to the MCWD's new board members and facilitate onsite training by the Kentucky Rural Water Association.

Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bill Whelan  
6915 Curtis Way  
Florence, KY 41042-1313



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Baxanna McClure"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:39:00 PM

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Dear Ms. McClure:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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**RECEIVED**  
*By Kentucky PSC at 2:58 pm, Feb 27, 2018*

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From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Baxanna McClure  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:12 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 27, 2018

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Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Ms. Baxanna McClure  
2306 Vince Rd  
Nicholasville, KY 40356-8813



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "[Katherine Goetz](#)"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:39:00 PM

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Dear Ms. Goetz:

Thank you for your comments on the application of the Martin County Water District for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Food & Water Action [REDACTED] ] On Behalf Of Katherine Goetz  
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:42 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 27, 2018

Kentucky Public Service Commission

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Residents should not be forced to pay more for bad service. I urge you to reject this rate increase, which is not in the best interests of the residents of Martin County.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Katherine Goetz  
2151 Hume Rd  
Lexington, KY 40516-9698



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Mitch Wilson"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:39:00 PM

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Dear Mr. Wilson:

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Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 9:42 AM  
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case Number 2018-00017

Feb 27, 2018

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Sincerely,

Mr. Mitch Wilson  
204 Ky 377  
Vanceburg, KY 41179-8642



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Joanne Filkins"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:35:00 PM

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Sincerely,

Dr. Joanne Filkins  
215 Westwood Ct  
Lexington, KY 40503-1135



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Michael Haynes"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
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Paducah, KY 42001-8818



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Denise O'Meara"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:34:00 PM

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Ms. Denise O'Meara  
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Lexington, KY 40503-2773



**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "Amy Allen"  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:34:00 PM

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**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** ["Steve Rockhold"](#)  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2018-00017 - Martin County Water District rates  
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