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Item: Proposed increase to monthly bill for North Hopkins Water Dept.

Two weeks ago the NHWD ask the PSC for permission to charge for any inquiry made from customers asking that a meter be inspected for correct amount of water used. Now they are asking for a 25.7 increase in water rates.

I ask that you, as you are the only hope we have, please refuse the increase of monthly water rates by \$6.46 per month as requested by NHWD on April 2, 2018.

Recently, the Madisonville Messenger published an article that said the City of Madisonville, (water supplier to North Hopkins Water Dept.) was going to sue NHWD in the amount of \$27,000.00 for water sold to North Hopkins Water Dpt. That had not been paid for.

Perhaps the Public Service Commission should audit the NHWD and find out what is happening to the money they already receive. A raise of 25.7 is excessive in any utility.

Please remember that people on SS get all the increase as do people who are making good salaries and are able to work extra to make up the increase but we get no increase in pay. This year I got a 02% SS increase on my \$1,027.00 check, and my Medicare Part B was raised form \$109.00 a month to \$132.00 a month. Therefore no increase at all for me.

Asking for your help and understanding.

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P..S. I helped the community of Anton get the new water system in the 1970,s, I thought it was a good thing. The first bill was \$9.95 monthly. My husband was a coal miner and I was a banker , no problem paying the bill and happy to have running water in the county. I am now a widow on social security struggling to pay bills.

Any help would be appreciated.