

From: [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Response to Mr. Lipham - Ledbetter Water/Sewer Rates
Date: Friday, August 20, 2021 12:48:00 PM
Attachments: [Ledbetter water sewer rates.pdf](#)
[Re Ledbetter sewer rates.pdf](#)

Mr. Lipham,

In response to your inquiry, in Case No. 2018-00117, Ledbetter Water District (Ledbetter) requested to increase its water and sewer rates. The Commission ordered a two-phase rate increase on September 10, 2018. On September 24, 2019, and again on June 26, 2020, Ledbetter requested to postpone the Phase 2 sewer rate increase until July 2020 to lessen the impact of higher sewer bills. In order to maintain Ledbetter's financial stability, the Commission required Ledbetter to implement the Phase 2 sewer rate increase, effective August 20, 2021.

The Commission has a statutory duty to ensure that rates are fair, just, and reasonable, and that the customers receive safe, adequate, and reliable utility service. That duty necessitates that the Commission balance the need for utilities to collect adequate rates to maintain the financial stability to provide that service, and efforts to assure the affordability of utility service for every Kentuckian.

Your comments were filed into the case record of Case No. 2018-00117 and will receive due consideration by the Commission.

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Subject: Ledbetter water sewer rates
Date: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 12:06:57 PM

Our water and sewer rates have been pushed to the point where citizens share bath water. No more gardens or washing the car. This is unethical and criminal when your water bill is higher than your electric bill . I am grasping has to how the PSC keeps jacking these rates without looking for solutions. Please help the 800 plus citizens who are on the sewer system. This has reached a critical point. Respectfully, Bill

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From: [REDACTED]
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Subject: Re: Ledbetter sewer rates
Date: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 5:16:35 AM

Did you order Ledbetter water and sewer to implement phase 2 rate hike on sewer ? Please answer. Thanks, Bill

On Tue, Aug 17, 2021, 1:21 PM PSC Executive Director <PSCED@ky.gov> wrote:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Ledbetter Water District. Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration. Please cite the case number in this matter, 2021-00238, in any further correspondence. The documents in this case are available at [View Case Filings for: 2021-00238 \(ky.gov\)](#).

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

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From: Bridwell, Linda C (PSC) <linda.bridwell@ky.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2021 10:24 AM
To: PSC Executive Director <PSCED@ky.gov>
Subject: FW: Ledbetter sewer rates

From: Bill Lipham <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, August 5, 2021 5:16 PM
To: Bridwell, Linda C (PSC) <linda.bridwell@ky.gov>
Subject: Ledbetter sewer rates

Your inability to help Ledbetter residents is known and duly noted. Even lower volume water consumption will continue to stagnate the growth of this great community. I KNOW the sacrifice people are making in order to keep costs down and this is a health concern I have . Judge Gruber is willing to help us and u prevented it. Sincerely, Bill

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