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Public Service Commission  
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Case Number 2010-00036

Dear Mr. De Rouen :

I recently received notice that the Kentucky American Water Company is requesting or seeking approval from the Public Service Commission a rate increase for all of their customers to become effective March 28, 2010. The total amount of the requested rate increase will amount to in excess of 25 million dollars on an annual basis. At this time I wish to express my disapproval for this rate increase and wish to intervene in this request for this unwarranted rate increase !

The following reasons explain my reason for disapproval of the requested rate increase.

- 1). Kentucky American Water Company requested and received a rate increase from the Public Service Commission in year 2008. This rate increase should have been in sufficient amount to cover all of the projected expenses that this company has incurred since that time frame.
- 2). This company is requesting a rate increase when this country and this state is facing a 10 % or higher unemployment rate and some of the most difficult economic times since the great depression time frame. In Kentucky alone 34% of the people are requesting some form of assistance from Federal, the State of Kentucky, local government agencies, and private agencies to help feed their families and keep their property

*from facing foreclosure by the banks. Now is not the time to be requesting a rate increase of any amount. All utilities companies need to be searching for ways to help all citizens of this state reduce their cost for utilities rather than seeking ways to increase these citizens cost paid for these services.*

*3). The number of citizens of this state and the U.S. that are on fixed income through Social Security and Retirement benefits is increasing daily. These senior citizens cannot afford the rates that they have to presently pay for their utilities. They are having to choose between food, rising medicine cost, rising health insurance costs, attempting to pay their mortgage payments, raising their families, and paying their utilities bills. For this reason alone the increase in rates for their water bills needs to be denied.*

*Respectfully:*

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