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**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** your comments in case 2010 - Kentucky-American Water Co. rates  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 16, 2010 1:43:00 PM

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Dear Ms. Stivers:

Thank you for your comments regarding the rate increase proposed by Kentucky-American Water Co. Your comments will be placed into the case file for the Commission's review as it considers this matter. For your future reference, the case number in this matter is 2010-00036. Please cite it in any future correspondence regarding this case so that your comments may be readily directed to the case file.

Thank you again for your interest.

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**From:** Susan Stivers[S [REDACTED]]  
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This is in response to KAWC's Proposed Rate Increase. Please file this response in the proper case file.

KAWC is seeking approval from the PSC for an increase in rates effective March 28, 2010.

Let me say that KAWC's use of the English language is interestingly deceptive. In its notice KAWC states that the "increase will be an **overall** increase of 37.7%."(emphasis mine) At one time I was a math major. It appears that the proposed residential increase from \$3.77200 to \$5.76133 per 1,000 gallons consumed is actually **52.6015%**.

My comment regarding KAWC's request for an increase in water rates is NO. The water company is a public utility and provides a vital resource to its customers. If REW's shareholders want to increase their profits, then they need to purchase something else or invest their money elsewhere.

KAWC's rates are much much higher than rates in other cities. Customers in Louisville pay one-half

the rate that customers in Lexington pay. Less than nine months ago KAWC requested an increase from the PSC and the PSC granted an increase. Now KAWC is back before this regulatory board seeking another increase.

In response to KAWC's request for an increase, I say NO.

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