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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Kentucky Public Service Commission P.O. Box 615 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40602

Re: Water Service Corporation request for rate increase for Middlesborough, Kentucky -Case #2013-00237

Dear Members of Commission:

We are writing to voice our strong opposition to the above referenced request for rate increase by Water Service Corporation of Kentucky. The Middlesborough City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 18, 2014, and voted to ask that this letter be written in protest of the proposed increase.

The citizens of Middlesborough simply cannot afford this increase in their water rates at this time. We understand that the Corporation's cost have gone up, but due to the present economic conditions here and other parts of Kentucky our residents are struggling just to pay their utility bills.

Therefore, we respectfully ask that the Commission deny the request for any rate increases at this time.

Sincerely,

William Kelley, Mayor

City of Middlesborough, Kentucky

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