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Public Service Commission

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Frankfort, Ky. 40602

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Dear Sirs,

As a volunteer at two different Martin County Food Distributions, I am requesting an intervention to the proposed adjustment to the water rates of the Martin County Water District.

The maximum income of both of these food distributions is currently about \$1200.00 per individual per month. The majority of these individuals live on \$750.00 per month. Out of the individuals that live on \$750.00 per month also have to pay their expenses like rent, electricity, gas, phone and water. The \$750.00 must also cover food, medical care and transportation. They must also buy water to drink and to cook with. The 49% increase to the water rates proposed by the Martin County Water District will add another burden on to the low income citizens of Martin County.

The current administration has incurred thousands of dollars of debt. Yet they still cannot provide sufficient and safe water for the people of Martin County. The water rate increase will not solve the problem of the Martin County Water District.

Another option must be found!

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