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**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>

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I am in receipt of correspondence from Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company dated September 30, 2020 regarding a proposed rate increase for waste and/or water services. Upon approval of the proposed rate increase, our household sewage expenses would increase by approximately 91%, however, the correspondence also indicates "the PSC...will rule on this request and may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates." I assume, this language means that we could expect a rate increase of MORE than 91%. This is absolutely absurd. It is astounding that in Bluegrass Water Utilities' application they indicate that "urgently needed improvements" are necessary. Our sewage facility has been in dire need of "urgently needed improvements" for many years. I am respectfully requesting an intervention for this application and denial of the same as Bluegrass Water Utility was ultimately aware of the state of the facility they were purchasing in 2019. It is my belief that utility rate increases are essential to ensure safe and reliable services to consumers, but an increase of more than 5-10% is wholly irrational. The cost of these repairs and improvements should not solely weigh on the community members/consumers. Thank you for your consideration.

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