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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I RECEIVED A NOTICE OF AN ANNUAL INCREASE IN REVENUE OF APPROXIMATELY 10.4% TO KU. MY THOUGHT THAT IS A LARGE INCREASE FOR CUSTOMERS OF KU. UNEMPLOYMENT IS UP AND GREAT PAYING JOBS (WHERE ARE THEY TO BE FOUND?). MOST PEOPLE HAVE TO MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO THEIR LIFESTYLE WHEN THEIR FUNDS ARE SHORT. I WONDER WHY KU CAN'T LOOK WHERE THEY CAN MAKE ADJUSTMENTS. I'M SURE THERE ARE PLACES TO MAKE A CHANGE, IF THEY WOULD LOOK AND THEN DO SOMETHING ABOUT THEM.

THE PEOPLE THAT COME UP WITH THIS LARGE PERCENTAGE, I WONDER IF THEY COULD LIVE ON A LOW INCOME. MY GUESS IS NO. THAT BRINGS ON ANOTHER THOUGHT THEIR SALARY AND HOW MUCH OR LETS SAY HOW RIDICULOUS THEIR BONUS WILL BE. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME COMMON SENSE APPLIED TO THIS RATE INCREASE. ALSO FOR KU TO USE SOME COMMON SENSE.

GLENN DAVIS

9540 MSCAW RD

WEST PADUCAH, KY, 42086

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December 7, 2020

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Dear Director,

This letter pertains to case #2020-00290. For nearly 40 years we have been on a septic system with rates ranging from \$12.50 to \$15.00 per month. The proposed increase to \$96.14 per month is excessive. The estimate investment of \$324,000.00 to bring it to what it is supposed to be, is also excessive. The reasons for the improvements do not make sense. If the condition of the system is so bad, where were the state inspectors?

We have a contract which states that the owner would take care of all maintenance and abide by the state regulations. If that has not been done, then the expense should be paid by the owner, Ralph Waldrop. It was his responsibility to keep up the system and that is what we all paid for. Please help us with the situation and relieve our subdivision from this egregious burden.

To:
Public Service Commission
PO Box 615 - 211 Sower Blvd
Frankfort, KY 40602
Concerning Case # 2020-00290

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From:
Kathy Clark
214 Woodland Dr
Shepherdsville, KY 40165

12/14/2020

To Whom it May Concern:

I received a letter dated November 19, 2020 from the Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company concerning the wastewater services in my community. The letter states that they are requesting a 393.8% increase in my sewer bill! 393.8% ! The same month LG&E submitted a rate increase to the Public Service Commission of 11.6% and every news station in the area covered the outrage of the LG & E customers at this huge increase!

393.8% increase!

To ask for this kind of increase in what is clearly a low income area is outrageous! Woodland acres is a mobile home park where people own the lot their home sits on. The majority of people in woodland acres are on some kind of public assistance, disability or social security fixed income. To add an additional \$76.67 a month sewer bill, will make the new bill \$96.14. So you are asking people with an average income of less than \$1000 a month to do without basic necessities so Bluegrass Water to make more money?

This pandemic has hurt everyone. I know that there were bad decisions made concerning the waste water treatment plants in the area. But those decisions were made by the companies who operated them. Bluegrass knew those situations when they acquired them. The burden of those bad decisions can not rest solely on the low income residents who had no say in any of it!

If as Bluegrass suggests, the expense of the upgrades they have decided to do should be passed along to the consumers, and you as the Public Service Commission choose to agree with them, then these increases must be added in a slow and methodical manner, over several years. Certainly not all at once, in a year with a pandemic! We have suffered enough.

X Kathy Clark
Kathy Clark 12-14-2020



November 19, 2020

Dear Potential Bluegrass Customer:

We're writing to you about the wastewater services in your community.

Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC (Bluegrass Water) has asked the Kentucky Public Service Commission (Commission) to acquire the system that serves your community. The Commission case number for that application is 2020-00297.

On September 30, 2020, Bluegrass Water submitted to the Commission a request for a general adjustment of rates charged for service. The request seeks to increase annual sewer operating revenues by \$2,177,052 (Case # 2020-00290). Since last year, Bluegrass Water has invested nearly \$2.5 million in urgently needed improvements in the Kentucky communities it serves to ensure access to clean, safe and reliable drinking water and wastewater systems. Over the next 18 months, Bluegrass Water intends to invest approximately \$5 million more in its Kentucky systems to ensure they are able to provide safe and reliable service. Increased costs attributable to these and other improvements make it necessary to seek a rate increase at this time.

Because the Commission has not yet ruled on either the acquisition or rate increase requests, there will be NO CHANGE in your billing at this time and you should continue to pay your current service provider for the service you receive. Any future change in the rates you are charged must first be approved by the Commission.

Please take notice of the following information about the proposed rate adjustment that is described below and presented on the enclosed table:

The table compares current rates for communities served by Bluegrass Water to the increased rates the company is requesting and shows the proposed increases as both a percentage and a dollar amount. The Commission, the state agency that regulates all utility services in Kentucky, will rule on this request and may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates found in this notice. The average customer usage is unknown and the average bill in each service area relates directly to the current rates per month shown in the enclosed sheet. The date the proposed rates were filed with the Commission was September 30, 2020, with a proposed effective date of October 30, 2020. On October 30, 2020, the Commission suspended the proposed rates for six months while it reviews the application. As a result, the proposed rates will not go into effect before May 1, 2021.

By prior arrangement, you may examine Bluegrass Water's application at the offices of McBrayer PLLC, 201 East Main Street, Suite 900, Lexington, Kentucky. Please contact Bluegrass Water at 1-866-752-8982 to arrange to examine the application. Bluegrass Water's application also may be examined at the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the Commission's website at <http://psc.ky.gov>. Comments regarding the rate application (case # 2020-00290) or timely requests for intervention (that establish the grounds for the request, including the status and interest of the requester) may be submitted to the Commission through its website or by mail to:

Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602

If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention establishing the grounds for the request (including the status and interest of the party) within thirty (30) days of the initial mailing of this notice, it may take final action on the application.

Josiah Cox

President

Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC.



BLUEGRASS WATER

Utility Operating Company

A LOUISIANA WATER UTILITIES COMPANY

Rate Comparison Table

Type of Charge	Service Area	Present Rates (per month)	Proposed Rates (per month)	Change Requested	
				\$	%
Total Monthly Sewer – Single Residential per unit					
	Airview Estates	\$41.36	\$96.14	\$54.78	132.4%
	Brocklyn Subdivision- Single Unit	\$40.00	\$96.14	\$56.14	140.4%
	Fox Run Estates	\$55.85	\$96.14	\$40.29	72.1%
	Great Oaks Subdivision	\$28.84	\$96.14	\$67.30	233.4%
	Golden Acres Subdivision	\$39.57	\$96.14	\$56.57	143.0%
	Kingswood Development	\$38.84	\$96.14	\$57.30	147.5%
	Lake Columbia Estates	\$50.32	\$96.14	\$45.82	91.1%
	Longview and Homestead Subdivisions	\$30.00	\$96.14	\$66.14	220.5%
	Persimmon Ridge Subdivision	\$35.00	\$96.14	\$61.14	174.7%
	City of River Bluff and environs	\$58.16	\$96.14	\$37.98	65.3%
	Timberland Subdivision	\$34.71	\$96.14	\$61.43	177.0%
	Arcadia Pines Subdivision	\$25.00	\$96.14	\$71.14	284.6%
	Carriage Park Subdivision	\$16.00	\$96.14	\$80.14	500.9%
	Marshall Ridge Subdivision	\$15.00	\$96.14	\$81.14	540.9%
	Randview Subdivision	\$25.00	\$96.14	\$71.14	284.6%
	I-75 & Delaplain Road interchange area (Scott County)	\$12.50	\$96.14	\$83.64	669.1%
	Herrington Haven and Woodland Estates	\$49.66	\$96.14	\$46.48	93.6%
	Springcrest Sewer (Jessamine County)	\$27.43	\$96.14	\$68.71	250.5%
	Woodland Acres	\$19.47	\$96.14	\$76.67	393.8%
Total Monthly Sewer – Multi Residential per unit					
	Brocklyn Subdivision – Multi Unit	\$30.40	\$72.11	\$41.71	137.2%
	Randview Subdivision — Duplex	\$25.00	\$72.11	\$47.11	188.4%
Total Monthly Sewer Bill – Commercial (Flat)					
	Persimmon Ridge Subdivision	\$35.00 per residential equivalent of 12,000 gallons	\$240.36	\$205.36	234.7%
	Randview Subdivision	\$25 per residential equivalent	\$240.36	\$215.36	861.4%
Total Monthly Sewer – Industrial/Commercial (Metered)					
	I-75 & Delaplain Road interchange area (Scott County)	\$8.89 per 1000 gal	\$25.65 per 1000 gal	\$16.76 per 1000 gal	188.5%
Total Monthly Water Bill - Residential					
	Center Ridge	\$22.79	\$105.84	\$83.05	364.4%