

From: [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Case No. 2021-00154
Date: Friday, April 9, 2021 4:06:00 PM
Attachments: [Water and Sewer Bill.pdf](#)

Thank you for your comments on the application of Martin County Water District. Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration. Please cite the case number in this matter, 2021-00154, in any further correspondence. The documents in this case are available at [View Case Filings for: 2021-00154 \(ky.gov\)](#).

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner
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Frankfort, KY 40601

From: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 9, 2021 2:19 PM
To: PSC Executive Director <PSCED@ky.gov>
Subject: FW: Case No. 2021-00154

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From: Rita Johnson [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, April 9, 2021 10:06 AM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case No. 2021-00154

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I'm emailing your office to oppose any rate increase proposed by Martin County Water District, in Martin County, Kentucky. Well over half of our county residents are at, or below the poverty level, with a large percentage of our citizens living on a fixed income. Our county is one of the poorest in eastern Kentucky, yet our water and sewer rates exceed almost every county in the state. This is NOT ACCEPTABLE! We cannot continue to pay exorbitant bills

for the basic necessity of life.

Alliance Water Resources took over management of Martin County Water District, and since that time, they have continuously sought rate increases to "fix" the longstanding problems of our current water system. Why should the citizens of Martin County be expected to pay the salaries of Alliance Water employees through rate increases? If Alliance's expenses, which is the basis for their proposed rate increase, exceed their monthly income, then they should consider reducing the salaries of their employees.

I have worked since the age of 15, and am now 57, and am still employed on a full-time basis. My water and sewer bill that is due this month is over \$300.00 (I'm attaching a copy for your review). I have paid well over \$200/month for the past year. I've been a resident of Martin County my entire life, but I cannot continue to pay such high water and sewer bills. I have called the office of Martin County Water several times questioning my bill and am always told if they come out to test for leaks it would be at a cost to me.

I'm tired of sitting back and staying quiet. We, the citizens of Martin County, cannot afford another rate increase, and I beg you not to approve this proposed rate increase.

Sincerely,
Rita Fitch

Martin County Water and Sanitation Districts TEMP-RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

387 E Main St, Suite 140
Inez, KY 41224

(606) 298-3885

PRESORTED
FIRST CLASS MAIL
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
INEZ, KY
PERMIT NO. 2

BILL DATE: 03/31/2021

| CODE | METER READING | | USAGE | AMOUNT |
|------|---------------|---------|-------|--------|
| | PREVIOUS | PRESENT | | |
| WA | 134282 | 135426 | 11440 | 112.90 |
| SW | SEWER | | 11440 | 172.81 |
| DS | DSS | | 0 | 2.63 |
| SD | DSS-SWR | | 0 | 5.00 |
| MS | MIS | | 0 | 4.72 |
| TX | SCHOOL TAX | | | 3.39 |

| ACCOUNT NUMBER | AMOUNT DUE |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 06-0106-00 | 301.45 |
| DUE DATE | AFTER DUE DATE PAY THIS AMOUNT |
| 04/20/2021 | 330.02 |
| SERVICE FROM | SERVICE TO |
| 02/20/2021 | 03/20/2021 |
| SERVICE ADDRESS | |
| 549 OLD MIDDLEFORK RD | |

Customer Class: Residential

| SERVICE FROM |
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| SERVICE TO |
| 03/20/2021 |

| SERVICE ADDRESS |
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| 549 OLD MIDDLEFORK RD |

| AMOUNT DUE | DUE DATE | AFTER DUE DATE PAY THIS AMOUNT |
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| 301.45 | 04/20/2021 | 330.02 |
| ACCOUNT NUMBER | | |
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RITA FITCH
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STUB WITH PAYMENT TO:**

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LEGEND

Full descriptions from bill card

DSS –Debt Service Surcharge

MIS –Management Infrastructure Surcharge

PC –Payment Contract

SCT –School Tax Commercial and Governmental

SCT-R –School Tax Residential

SDS –Sewer Debt Service Surcharge

SLSTax –Sales Tax

From: [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: 2021-00154
Date: Friday, April 9, 2021 4:04:00 PM

Case No. 2021-00154

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-----Original Message-----

From: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 9, 2021 2:11 PM
To: PSC Executive Director <PSCED@ky.gov>
Subject: 2021-00154

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, April 7, 2021 10:53 PM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: 12% water hike

I am appalled that the Martin county water district is trying to increase our city water rates again when we can't even drink the stuff. My family has to buy water just to have the piece of mind that we aren't getting poisoned by water that isn't properly treated.

We are a family of four, I am disabled, and our bill is now over \$70 a month. I am confused as to what they are doing with the money that they already bleed from everyone on a monthly basis. Most of the residents of this county are living at the poverty level, except for those who are lucky enough to get a county job so their pockets can be lined with money that could go to feeding someone's children or buying someone's medication.

It's time to put a stop to this and hold them accountable for every penny used to supply their service. I know what other counties pay for their city water and it's way less than us and they get other perks along with the services such as sewer and garbage pick up Floyd county for example pays \$25 which includes garbage pick up.

Please for the love of God don't let these vultures charge us another red cent more for city water. They have found out that they can keep raising the rates and they are taking full advantage of it. Please put a stop to their power trip before they bankrupt people who like to shower and have clean clothes.

Thank you so much,
Paul Morrison



Sent from my iPhone

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