

March 22, 2023

Residents of Marshall Ridge Subdivision  
West Paducah, Kentucky 42086

Public Service Commission (PSC)  
P.O. Box 615  
211 Sower Boulevard  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

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COMMISSION**

We, the Residents of Marshall Ridge Subdivision (The Ridge), are in receipt of correspondence from Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company (Bluegrass) dated February 27, 2023, indicating they intend to increase the rate of service for maintenance and operations of our wastewater treatment system from \$85.97 per month to \$99.37 per month, a 15.6% increase. This increase is in addition to Bluegrass's ORIGINAL increase in rates when they assumed maintenance and operations of The Ridge wastewater treatment system from \$15 per month to the current \$85.97 per month.

In the February 27 correspondence, Bluegrass states that it has invested nearly \$16 million in "Kentucky communities" to ensure access to reliable wastewater resources. The residents of The Ridge wonder how much of that \$16 million Bluegrass invested in our Ridge wastewater treatment system as compared to other "Kentucky communities."

The Bluegrass correspondence also states that we may submit a timely written request for intervention to the PSC establishing grounds for the request including our status and interest in the proceeding.

Please consider this correspondence from the residents of The Ridge as our timely, written request for intervention. The grounds of our request follow:

1. We request that Bluegrass provide the residents of The Ridge with a list of regular maintenance activities they perform on our wastewater treatment system and the cost of those activities.
2. We request that Bluegrass provide the residents of The Ridge with a list of corrective actions/improvements they have performed on our wastewater treatment system since they assumed responsibility for maintenance and operations, and any corrective actions/improvements that are planned, and the schedule for completion.
3. We request that Bluegrass provide the residents of The Ridge with the status of issues identified by our local Health Department regarding non-compliance with Health Department regulations related to sewage identified outside, i.e., west of the wastewater treatment system.
4. We request that Bluegrass provide the residents of The Ridge with their plans for corrective actions related to the offensive odor that emanates from the wastewater treatment system. The claim is that this is due to blooming duckweed. If so, what are the plans and schedule for corrective actions to prevent this offensive odor? If the source of the odor is not duckweed, what are the planned corrective actions to prevent it?



Dear Customer:

We're writing to update you on the wastewater services that serve your community.

Since purchasing the sewer system that serves you, Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC (Bluegrass Water) has invested nearly \$16 million in Kentucky communities to ensure that you, your families and your neighbors have access to clean, safe and reliable wastewater resources. The infrastructure upgrades to the sewer system serving you may include installation of remote monitoring equipment to assure facilities are closely tracked and work properly at all times; sewer plant improvements to ensure proper treatment including flow equalization, replacement of blowers, pipes, and diffusers in aeration tankage, and many more necessary repairs. As a result of these efforts and additional improvements planned, Bluegrass Water expects to submit a request on February 27, 2023 to the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) for a general adjustment of rates charged for service in order to increase annual sewer operating revenues by \$1,291,491.

**Please take notice of the following information about the proposed rate adjustment that is presented below:**

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Bluegrass Water, but the PSC, the state agency that regulates all utility services in Kentucky, may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates found in this notice. The Company has proposed raising your rate from the present rate of \$85.97 to the proposed rate of \$99.37 which represents an increase of \$13.40 or 15.6%. The date the proposed rates are expected to be filed with the PSC is February 27, 2023; the proposed effective date of the rates is for service rendered on and after March 31, 2023. As there are only flat rates included in the existing tariff or which affect existing customers, the average customer usage is unknown and the effect the proposed rate will have on the average bill for each customer is an increase of \$13.40 or 15.6%.

You may examine Bluegrass Water's application at the offices of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, 101 South Fifth St., Suite 2500, Louisville, KY 40202. If you would like to make prior arrangements to view the application at Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, please contact Brooks Herrick at 502-540-2376 or [brooks.herrick@dinsmore.com](mailto:brooks.herrick@dinsmore.com). Bluegrass Water's application may also be examined at the PSC'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 Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>. Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the PSC through its Web site or by mail to:

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

You may submit a timely written request for intervention to the PSC, establishing the grounds for the request including your status and interest in the proceeding, by mail to:

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

If the PSC does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the mailing of this notice, the PSC may take final action on the application.

Josiah Cox

President

Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC

Marshall Ridge Residents

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4. Sally Smith 165 HR
5. Mary Jo Moore 105 Cassie
6. Californ W. Moore 105 Cassie
7. Vance Miller 155 Cassie Cir
8. Cindy Albritton 155 Cassie Cir
9. Marcia Pittman 140 Cassie
10. Michael Pittman 140 Cassie
11. Linda Stokes 130 Cassie
12. Louis Lopez 110 Cassie
13. Janet Lopez 110 Cassie
14. T. J. Tenell 145 Harting

15. Allen Terrell 145 Harting
16. Bay Dub 135 HR
17. Lois A. 130 HR
18. Carl Westulsky 120 HR
19. Joni Westulsky 120 HR
20. Douglas Perez 135 Cassie
21. Carol Gomez 135 Cassie
22. Kenneth Byassee 110 HR
23. Barbara Byassee 110 HR
24. Dorothy Beauf 185 HR
25. Maud Beauf 165 HR
26. Paula Fuller HR
27. J. H. 130 IVA
28. Cona M. Ca 130 IVA
29. Sh. R. 125 Harting Ridge

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- 31. Nicholas Rolens <sup>145</sup> IUA
- 32. David Bowman <sup>115</sup> IUA
- 33. Paula Keller <sup>115</sup> IUA
- 34. Gronnie Knuth <sup>230</sup> HR
- 35. Shirley Knuth <sup>230</sup> HR
- 36. Walt Ho E
- 37. Robert Reams <sup>120</sup> E
- 38. Michelle Reams <sup>120</sup> E
- 39. Robert Holler <sup>130</sup> E
- 40. Cathryn Holler <sup>130</sup> E
- 41. Led Baker <sup>150</sup> E
- 42. Martha Baker <sup>145</sup> E
- 43. Dan Id <sup>145</sup> E

- 44. Laura Todd <sup>145</sup> E
- 45. Mukul Reed <sup>125</sup> E
- 46. Lisa Reed <sup>125</sup> E
- 47. Barry Richard 100 E
- 48. Elaine Richardson 100 E
- 49. Buaron Richardson 100 E
- 50. Robert Evans <sup>250</sup> HR
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- 52. Adam Smith 205 HR
- 53. Terri Paris 105 HR
- 54. Tyler Parris 195 HR
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- 56. Ma Tracy <sup>225</sup> HR  
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- 57. Cheh Hankin
- 58. Emily Hankin