From: PSC Public Comment

To: Subject: Date:

RE: KY PSC Utility Inquiry Case #2024-00199 Monday, February 17, 2025 10:05:00 AM

## Case No. 2024-00199

Thank you for your comments on the application of Webster 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, 2024-00199, in any further correspondence. The documents in this case are available at <u>View Case Filings for: 2024-00199 (ky.gov)</u>.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: PSC Consumer Inquiry <PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov>

Sent: Thursday, February 6, 2025 11:50 AM

**To:** PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov>

**Subject:** FW: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

Case #2024-00199

From: KY Public Service Commission cfilings@ky.gov>

Sent: Thursday, February 6, 2025 11:28 AM

**To:** PSC Consumer Inquiry < <a href="mailto:PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov">PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov</a>>

**Subject:** KY PSC Utility Inquiry

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by

on Thursday, February 6, 2025 at 11:28 AM

Name: Dewey David Smith

Address:

City: Dixon

State: Kentucky Zip Code: 42409

Phone number where you can be reached:

Home phone:

Utility Name: Webster County Water District

State the nature of your concern: David and Lynn M. Smith Dixon,

Kentucky 42409 February 6, 2025 To Whom It May Concern: The proposed rate increases for the Webster County Water district, as noted in the Sebree Banner dated Wednesday February 5, 2025, of in excess of 28% is unjustifiably extreme. There is no explanation for the request of such an increase. Based on the quality of the water provided to the consumer there should be a reduction in the cost. I live in the county but receive my water from the city therefore paying rate and one half. There are three people in my home, my wife (65 yrs), my mother-in-law (90 yrs) and myself (71 yrs). My rate is already ridiculous at the average of \$75 to \$80 per month and with a proposed 28% increase would move it to approximately \$100 a month. As all three of us are on Social Security any increases in living expenses are difficult to accept. Social Security has designated a 2.5% COL for 2025 of which is far behind what is necessary to maintain in today's world. If this water rate increase is approved it will take the entire Social Security increase that my wife will receive. Keep in mind that this is only one utility. Not to mention, electrical, taxes, insurances and all other living expenses. We manage our house hold in order to reduce expenses and manage our income as if our life depended on it, as it does! My feeling is that all utility companies should manage their businesses as if it were their own and to be good stewards of it. You do not fix a problem by throwing money at it, you fix the problem. I urge you to review this request for increase and ask yourself and the Webster County water district is this fair? Have they done all that is possible to avoid this increase request. Are the personnel involved the most qualified? Is this the best we can do?? Do the Webster County residents deserve better than this? It is time to make a stand, I am against this rate increase. Sincerely, D. David Smith Have you contacted the utility about the problem: No

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