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Kentucky Public Service Commission  
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Frankfort, KY 40601

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RE: Bluegrass Water Rate Increase - Case No. 2025-00354

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing on behalf of the City of River Bluff to express our opposition to the rate increase requested by Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company. We understand that maintaining and improving water and wastewater systems costs money, and we certainly want our residents to have safe and reliable service. At the same time, we are concerned about continuing to pass higher costs on to the people who live in our community.

Bluegrass Water's August 18 letter states that the company has invested more than \$18.6 million in improvements. We appreciate investments that are necessary to maintain the system, but we also believe customers deserve a clear explanation of how the requested increase was calculated and what specific improvements River Bluff residents are receiving in return for higher rates.

We are also concerned that the two public comment meetings scheduled for this case are not reasonably accessible to River Bluff residents. The meetings are being held in Paducah and Georgetown, neither of which is convenient for residents of our community in the Louisville area.

While written comments are an option, an in-person public meeting should provide affected customers a realistic opportunity to attend and speak directly. We ask the Commission to consider the geographic accessibility of these meetings and the practical difficulty River Bluff residents would face in participating in person.

Before approving an increase, we ask the Commission to carefully review whether all of the requested costs are necessary and reasonable, whether those costs fairly reflect the services and improvements being provided to the communities affected, and whether there are other ways to reduce the burden on customers.

For these reasons, the City of River Bluff asks the Public Service Commission not to approve the proposed rate increase as requested. If the Commission determines that some adjustment is necessary, we ask that it be limited to only what can be clearly justified and shown to be reasonable for customers.

We appreciate the Commission giving communities and residents the opportunity to comment.

Please include this letter in the public record for Case No. 2025-00354 and consider both the financial impact of the proposed increase and the ability of affected residents to meaningfully participate in the public process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bryan J. Dillon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bryan" and last name "Dillon" clearly legible.

Bryan Dillon

Mayor

City of River Bluff, Kentucky