Leighton, Adele

From: Smith, Kim on behalf of PUC

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 4:01 PM

To: Leighton, Adele; Howland, Debra; Noonan, Amanda; Naylor, Mark; Raymond, Margaret

Subject: FW: Pittsfield Aqueduct Co., Inc.

I have attached an internet e-mail from our PUC account for Docket No. DW 08-052, Pittsfield Aqueduct Company.

--Kim

----Original Message----

From: Lisa Vertigen [mailto:mrs_hondo@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 1:26 PM

To: PUC

Subject: Pittsfield Aqueduct Co., Inc.

We, Simon and Lisa Vertigen, 102 Randell Farm Road, North Conway, NH, a part of the Birch Hill Water System, urge the PUC to consider that there have not been repairs as yet that would warrant the proposed permanent rate increase. Pittsfield Aqueduct Co. (PAC) should not be allowed to extort it's customers, because they purchased systems that were in such disrepair.

Secondly, we do not feel that we should bear the brunt of repairs to the Barnstead System and that PAC should be forced to separate the consolidated "North Country" system into their own entities. While we can agree that to repair the system, funds would have to be raised to do so, but when compared with the North Conway Water Precinct's rate of \$45 per quarter for a total of 15,000 gallons and \$2.50 per 1,000 gallons over the 15,000 plus the precinct tax increase of \$563 for our home per year, the proposed increase by PAC is one and a half times that total amount and entirely out of our reach as permanent resident's. Adding insult to injury, why are we required to rent their meter at such an exorbitant rate?

Lastly, please consider that the residents of each community cannot attend meetings in Concord and possibly meet with each community separately. These proposed rate increases are not only unfair, but unjust. Thank you.

Sincerely, Simon and Lisa Vertigen

