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To: PUC

Subject: Pennichuck Rate Increase

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To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed rate increase that Pennichuck East Water is proposing for Locke Lake Colony customers.

First of all, their rates were increased not too long ago and we are still paying the "rate case" surcharge of \$17 extra per month.

Secondly, in their petition letter sent to us, they are misrepresenting what we currently pay. They are saying that our current yearly rate is \$629.85. This could be correct for some households who don't use the water very often. My rates during the previous year are much higher than that. Perhaps they are including the seasonal people in this estimate who don't use the water at all in the winter. If so, that's misrepresentation right in itself.

My daughter who lives next door to me is your "average" yearly customer. Two adults and two children and her monthly bill is usually over \$100, which would bring that estimated yearly usage up to \$1200 a year. I am living alone, use very little water, only do laundry once a week and this "normal current rate" doesn't even apply to me!

Please don't allow Pennichuck to take advantage of us AGAIN! We already pay way, way too much. More than in other "communities" and people are selling their homes because of the high prices. People don't want to rent in Locke Lake Colony either due to the outrageous water rates!

Thank you,

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