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Dear TCEQ Water Supply Division,

My name is Guy Overby from Kerrville, Texas and the reason for receiving my letter today is to protest the exuberant water rate increase requested from CCN Number 12821 associated with Fremont Water Company. The CCN Number 12821 is the water service provider for Homestead @ Turtle Creek, P.O. Box 291937, Kerrville, Texas 78029-1937.

I do have a few comments regarding my protest over the excessive proposed rates. I have been a resident of Kerr County since 1970. I have lived in the Homestead @ Turtle Creek since 2001. I have also served as the Kerr County Commissioner of this precinct for several years and also formerly on the HOA's Executive Board and Past President of the Homestead.

I have no problems with the new owner/providers (Fremont Water Company) and consider them good friends and neighbors. However, I have a lot of concern over the recommended rate increase as a property owner and member of the Homestead @ Turtle Creek Subdivision.

Fremont Water Company has stated in their notice of proposed rate change that no increase has been requested in the HOA since 1997. I agree with this fact and do support a reasonable increase or stair step approach in raising the water rates. My current water monthly bill is averaged at \$ 50.00 per month and I do agree that it's low and will support a level raise over a three year plan to increase the rates. The suggested rate will have my bill at \$ 131.65 or a 163% increase on monthly bill services. I will not support this rate and will be in favor or 20% to 25% increase over the next three years.

I don't know about you but my healthcare coverage for me personally has increased 148% this year due to the mandatory decisions made in Washington D.C. Besides government forced programs we have grocery's go up 8% to 13%, College Tuition rates 5%, Electric Rates 12%, and small increments of other bills for one's quality of life to continue. The family's in our subdivision are very concerned over this proposed rate increase as well is what is happening to our country today. I hope that the TCEQ will be fair in recommendations to Fremont Water Company on what reasonable rate increase rates should be. I will support a level rate increase over three years and request that higher rates should be applied to the ones in our HOA who use over 50,000 gallon per month in usage.

Thank you for taking time to read my letter and here my concerns.

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