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Dear PUC:

Along with the Water Rate Increase Protest signup sheets sheet I would like to also submit the following information.

Silver Wings Airport (TS 36) near Fredericksburg Texas, has it's own water supply very much like the one here at Hicks field yet with some big differences.

Here are a few of the details of their water system as a comparison to Rio Concho's.

Silver Wings has 2 wells, 2 storage tanks, 2 pressure tanks and all the pumps and plumbing that go along with a water system. Rio Concho only has 1 of each.

The Silver Wings system currently provides water to 16 homes, with a maximum of 35 homes that can be on the system. Their homes / lots are spread out over an area much larger than the total area of Rio Concho's distribution area which has 244 metered lots.

These are their current water rates for Silver Wings Airport;

1. Base rate - \$35 / month, including the first 1,000 gallons
2. \$2.50 / 1,000 gal up to 10,000 gal
3. \$2.75 / 1,000 gal up to 20,000 gal
4. \$3.00 / 1,000 gal above 20,000 gal

Compare that to Rio Concho's current and proposed rates:

<u>Current:</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Increase:</u>
1. Base rate - \$31	\$39.75	28.2%
2. \$5.50/1000 gal from 1+ gal	\$7.67/1000 gal from 1+ gal	39.45%

Considering Silver Wings Airport rates, I am having a very difficult time with the Rio Conchos Rate Increase request. As a reminder, Rio Concho last rate request was disputed and lowered by the PUC in 2015.

Sincerely,


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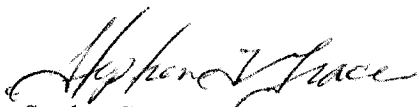
Dear PUC

I am requesting a stay or freeze on the current water rates Rio Concho is now charging until the PUC has taken their due diligence to look at all the numbers supplied by Rio Concho and compare their claims with other alike water supply companies.

Rio Concho just this past year was awarded a rate increase by the PUC and was not required to reimburse the overage paid during the interim rate time period. They received and kept the excess charges for a 9-month period.

So as to keep all the accounting easier let's not impose the requested rates this go around as we will be requesting a refund of any overages.

Sincerely,


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UTILITY RATE INCREASE PROTEST

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