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I WISH TO FILE A MOTION TO INTERVENE IN THE RATE INCREASE PROPOSED BY TALL TIMBERS UTILITIES. WE OWN 6 DUPLEXES IN THE TALL TIMBERS SERVED AREA.

THEIR PROPOSAL RAISES THE RATE ON OUR DUPLEXES FROM \$69.70 PER MONTH TO \$192.76 PER MONTH. WE CANNOT PASS THIS THROUGH TO OUR TENANTS. THEY ARE LOW INCOME AND UNABLE TO HANDLE THE INCREASE.

DUE TO OUR AGE, 77 AND 75, WE ARE UNABLE TO COME TO AUSTIN TO APPEAR IN PERSON.

IN 2010 WE SUFFERED A 40% RATE INCREASE UNDER THE GUISE THAT THIS WOULD ALLOW TALL TEMBERS TO MAKE THOSE INPROVEMENTS NECESSARY TO ACCOMMIDATE FUTURE NEEDS AND SERVICE GROWTH. OBVIOUSLY THE TRUTH WAS STRETCHED.

ALL OF THIS DISPUTE IS HAPPENING IN SMITH COUNTY. WHY MUST ALL THE EFFECTED PARTIES MAKE THE DRIVE. SOME ARE LIKE US, OLDER, OTHERS HAVE JOBS WHILE STILL OTHERS HAVE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL IT WOULD SEEM THAT BUSINESS IS FAVORED OVER CITIZENS.

WE ARE DEPENDING ON YOU TO MAKE A FAIR AND EQUITABLE JUDGEMENT IN THIS MATTER.

THANK YOU.

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