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**RATEPAYER PROTEST**

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If you wish to PROTEST the proposed rate change, you must submit this form and 10 copies to the PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION FILING CLERK

**Filing Clerk  
Public Utility Commission of Texas  
1701 North Congress Avenue  
P.O. Box 13326  
Austin, Texas 78711-3326**

Unless protests are received from at least 10% of ratepayers or from any affected municipality, or the Commission Staff requests a hearing, no hearing will be held and the rates will be effective as proposed.

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION** (to be completed by customers submitting protests)

First Name: Marguerite / Cleone Last Name: Blodgett Trust  
Phone Number: 903 343-7150 Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address, City, State: 113 Shiprock Path, Holly Lake Ranch, TX  
Location where service is received: 113 Shiprock Path  
(if different from the mailing address)

Please fill out the following:

**I wish to PROTEST the following proposed rate action/s:**

- ☒ Water Rate Change   ☐ Sewer Rate Change   ☐ Both Water and Sewer Rate Change  
☐ Other (please specify below)

Signature of Protester:

Cleone Blodgett Porter Trust Date: 3/24/18

Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al  
**1-888-782-8477**

Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones may contact the PUC's Customer Assistance  
Hotline at  
**512-936-7136**

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE**

**PURSUANT TO TEX. WATER CODE § 13.1871**

**Liberty Utilities (Silverleaf Water) LLC**

**13131 and 20815**

Company Name

CCN Number(s)

has filed a rate change application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission or PUC). The application may be reviewed online at [interchange.puc.texas.gov](http://interchange.puc.texas.gov). You may also inspect a copy of the rate change application at your utility's office at the address below or at the Commission's office (1701 N. Congress Ave, Austin, TX 78701). The proposed rates will apply to service received after the effective date provided below, unless modified or suspended by the Commission. If the Commission receives a sufficient number of protests, separately or in a combined protest letter, from at least 165 ratepayers (10 percent of the utility's customers over whose rates the Commission has original jurisdiction) or from any affected municipality before the 91st day after the proposed effective date, the matter will be set for hearing. **See Protest Form enclosed for instructions on how to protest.**

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROPOSED INCREASE: 4/30/2018**

**(must be at least 35 days after notice is provided to customers and 35 days after application is filed)**

(Proposed rates requested by the utility are not final. The Commission may modify the rates and order a refund or credit against future bills all sums collected during the pendency of the rate proceeding in excess of the rate finally ordered plus interest.)

**Reason(s) for proposed Rate Change:**

Liberty Utilities (Silverleaf Water) LLC has been ordered by the Commission to apply for a change in the Company's water and sewer rates for utility service.

**BILLING COMPARISON**

**WATER**

**5/8 x 3/4" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$44.65	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$69.73	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$59.10	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$100.75	/mo.
Existing	30,000 gallons:	\$116.90	/mo.	Proposed	30,000 gallons:	\$256.85	/mo.

**3/4" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$59.75	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$92.07	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$74.20	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$123.09	/mo.
Existing	30,000 gallons:	\$132.00	/mo.	Proposed	30,000 gallons:	\$279.19	/mo.

**1" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$89.95	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$142.77	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$104.40	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$173.79	/mo.
Existing	30,000 gallons:	\$162.20	/mo.	Proposed	30,000 gallons:	\$305.89	/mo.

**1 1/2" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$165.45	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$254.51	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$179.90	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$285.53	/mo.
Existing	30,000 gallons:	\$237.70	/mo.	Proposed	30,000 gallons:	\$409.63	/mo.

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**2" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$256.05	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$388.60	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$270.50	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$419.62	/mo.
Existing	30,000 gallons:	\$328.30	/mo.	Proposed	30,000 gallons:	\$543.72	/mo.

**3" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$467.45	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$701.47	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$481.90	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$732.49	/mo.
Existing	30,000 gallons:	\$539.70	/mo.	Proposed	30,000 gallons:	\$856.59	/mo.

**SEWER**

**5/8 x 3/4" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$146.78	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$149.41	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$165.03	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$170.83	/mo.

**5/8 x 3/4" Holly Ranch Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$83.80	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$86.69	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$102.05	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$108.11	/mo.

**3/4" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$211.05	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$213.41	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$229.30	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$234.82	/mo.

**1" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$339.58	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$341.40	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$357.83	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$362.82	/mo.

**1 1/2" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$660.90	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$661.39	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$679.15	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$682.80	/mo.

**2" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$1,046.49	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$1,045.37	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$1,064.74	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$1,066.79	/mo.

**3" Meter (All Classes)**

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$1,946.20	/mo.	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$2,069.33	/mo.
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$1,964.45	/mo.	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$2,090.74	/mo.

Subdivision(s) or System(s) Affected by Rate Change: **Holly Lake Ranch and Woodland Village**

Company Address: **12725 W. Indian School Road, Suite D-101, Avondale, Arizona 85392**

Company Phone Number: **(800) 525-9547**

Annual Revenue Increase: **\$1,238,328 (water); \$105,930 (sewer)**

Date Notice Delivered: **3/26/2018**

Date of Last Rate Change: **5/13/2010**

Date Meters Typically Read: **1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> business day of month**

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE – WATER**

CURRENT RATES			PROPOSED RATES				
Monthly base rate plus charge per 1,000 gallons Residential, Commercial, Industrial			Monthly base rate plus gallonage charge (per 1,000 gallons) Residential, Commercial, Industrial				
METER SIZE	MONTHLY MINIMUM CHARGE	CHARGE PER 1000 GALS	METER SIZE	MONTHLY MINIMUM CHARGE	TIER 1 GALLONAGE CHARGE	TIER 2 GALLONAGE CHARGE	TIER 3 GALLONAGE CHARGE
5/8 x 3/4"	\$30.20	\$2.89 All gallons	5/8 x 3/4"	\$44.70	\$4.205 0-3,000 gals	\$6.205 3,001-10,000 gals	\$7.805 over 10,000 gals
3/4"	\$45.30	\$2.89 All gallons	3/4"	\$67.04	\$4.205 0-3,000 gals	\$6.205 3,001-10,000 gals	\$7.805 over 10,000 gals
1"	\$75.50	\$2.89 All gallons	1"	\$111.74	\$6.205 0-25,000 gals	\$7.805 over 25,000 gals	
1 1/2"	\$151.00	\$2.89 All gallons	1 1/2"	\$223.48	\$6.205 0-50,000 gals	\$7.805 over 50,000 gals	
2"	\$241.60	\$2.89 All gallons	2"	\$357.57	\$6.205 0-80,000 gals	\$7.805 over 80,000 gals	
3"	\$453.00	\$2.89 All gallons	3"	\$670.44	\$6.205 0-160,000 gals	\$7.805 over 160,000 gals	
The Utility may install a master meter for a multi-unit building and bill the customer the equivalent units for such building at the 5/8" monthly minimum charge set forth above plus the gallonage charge. The gallonage for each tier will be determined by multiplying the gallonage by the number of units. For example, a 20 unit customer's first tier gallonage will be 60,000 or 20 times 3,000.							
MISCELLANEOUS FEES				MISCELLANEOUS FEES			
Tap Fee	\$650.00			Tap Fee	\$1,100.00		
Tap Fee (large meter)	Actual Cost			Tap Fee (large meter)	Actual Cost		
Meter Relocation Fee	Actual Relocation Cost			Meter Relocation Fee	Actual Relocation Cost		
Reconnect Fee: Non-payment	\$25.00			Reconnect Fee: Non-payment (Max. \$25.00)	\$25.00		
Reconnect Fee: Customer's Request	\$35.00			Reconnect Fee: Customer's Request	\$35.00		
Seasonal Reconnection Fee	Base rate for meter size times no. of mos. off system not to exceed 6 mos. when leave and return within a 12 mo. period			Seasonal Reconnection Fee	Base rate for meter size times no. of mos. off system not to exceed 6 mos. when leave and return within a 12 mo. period		
Transfer Fee	\$35.00			Transfer Fee	\$35.00		
Late Charge	10%			Late Charge	10%		
Returned Check Charge	\$25.00			Returned Check Charge	\$25.00		
Customer Deposit	\$50.00			Customer Deposit (Max. \$50)	\$50.00		
Commercial & Non-residential Deposit	1/6 <sup>th</sup> of estimated annual bill			Commercial & Non-residential Deposit	1/6 <sup>th</sup> of estimated annual bill		
Meter Test Fee	\$25.00			Meter Test Fee (Max. \$25.00)	\$25.00		
Meter Conversion Fee	Actual cost to relocate meter			Meter Conversion Fee	Actual cost to relocate meter		
Line Extension & Construction Charges	Section 3.0 of Tariff			Line Extension & Construction Charges	Section 3.0 of Tariff		
Temporary Water Rate	Section 1.02 of Tariff			Temporary Water Rate	Section 1.02 of Tariff		
Purchased Water and/or District Fee Pass through Clause	Section 1.02 of Tariff			Purchased Water and/or District Fee Pass through Clause	Section 1.02 of Tariff		

Regulatory Assessment of 1% is added to base rate and gallonage charges.

If applicable, list any bill payment assistance programs to low income Ratepayers. None

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE – SEWER**

<b>CURRENT RATES</b>		<b>PROPOSED RATES</b>	
Monthly base rate including 0 gallons Meter size <b>Residential, Commercial, Industrial</b>		Monthly base rate including 0 gallons Meter size <b>Residential, Commercial, Industrial</b>	
Holly Ranch	\$65.55	Holly Ranch	\$65.28
5/8 x 3/4"	\$128.53	5/8 x 3/4"	\$127.99
3/4"	\$192.80	3/4"	\$191.99
1"	\$321.33	1"	\$319.99
1 1/2"	\$642.65	1 1/2"	\$639.97
2"	\$1,028.24	2"	\$1,023.96
3"	\$1,927.95	3"	\$2,047.91
It is not a requirement that the utility use meters to measure the quantity of sewage disposed of by individual customers. The Utility may install a master meter for a multi-unit building and bill the customer the equivalent units for such building at the 5/8" monthly minimum charge set forth above plus the gallonage charge.			
<b>GALLONAGE CHARGE</b>		<b>GALLONAGE CHARGE</b>	
\$3.65 per 1,000 gallons for all meter sizes For each additional 1,000 gallons over the minimum. Gallonages charges are determined based on average consumption for winter period which includes the following months: December through February.		\$4.283 per 1,000 gallons for all meter sizes For each additional 1,000 gallons over the minimum. Gallonages charges are determined based on average consumption for winter period which includes the following months: December through February.	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS FEES</b>		<b>MISCELLANEOUS FEES</b>	
Tap Fee (Gravity Sewer)	\$700.00	Tap Fee (Gravity Sewer)	\$1,850.00
Tap Fee (Pressure Sewer)	\$1,300.00	Tap Fee (Pressure Sewer)	\$1,650.00
Meter Relocation Fee	Actual Relocation Cost	Meter Relocation Fee	Actual Relocation Cost
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Seasonal Reconnection Fee	Base rate times no. of mos. off system not to exceed 6 mos. when leave and return within a 12 mo. period	Seasonal Reconnection Fee	Base rate times no. of mos. off system not to exceed 6 mos. when leave and return within a 12 mo. period
Transfer Fee	\$35.00	Transfer Fee	\$35.00
Late Charge	10%	Late Charge	10%
Returned Check Charge	\$25.00	Returned Check Charge	\$25.00
Customer Deposit	\$50.00	Customer Deposit (Max. \$50.00)	\$50.00
Commercial & Non-residential Deposit	1/6 <sup>th</sup> of estimated annual bill	Commercial & Non-residential Deposit	1/6 <sup>th</sup> of estimated annual bill
Governmental Testing, Inspection and Costs Surcharge	Per 16 T.A.C. 24.21(B)(2)(F)	Governmental Testing, Inspection and Costs Surcharge	Per 16 T.A.C. 24.21(B)(2)(F)
Line Extension & Construction Charges	Section 3.0 of Tariff	Line Extension & Construction Charges	Section 3.0 of Tariff

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