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Anticipated July 15, 2020

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Date Current Rate Change Notice Delivered

Date of Last Rate Change

*Prior to providing notice, the utility shall file a request for the assignment of a docket number for the application.

PUCT DOCKET NO. 50721

DATE: 6/15/22

RATEPAYER COMMENTS/REQUESTS TO INTERVENE

If you wish to PROTEST the proposed rate change, you must submit this form and 10 copies to:

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: JIMMIE E. Last Name: COPPENGHER

Phone Number: 512-556-6420 ~~CELL~~ Number: 254-630-3900

Address, City, State: 4501 LAMPASAS, TEXAS 76530

Location where service is received: 128 CT RD 1621
(if different from the mailing address) CHFTON, TX 76689

Please fill out the following:

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

☒ I wish to be a COMMENTER. I understand that: I am NOT a party to this case; my comments are not considered evidence in this case; and I have no further obligation to participate in the proceeding. Public comments may help inform the PUCT of the public concerns and identify issues to be explored. Please provide comments below. Attach a separate page, if necessary.

☐ I am requesting to INTERVENE in this proceeding. As an INTERVENOR, I understand that: I am a party to the case; I am required to respond to all discovery requests from other parties; I may be required to attend hearings, and if I file testimony, I may be cross-examined in the hearing; if I file any documents in the case, I must provide a copy to every other party in the case; and I acknowledge that I am bound by the Procedural Rules of the PUCT and the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH).

Signature of Protestor:

Jimmie E. Coppenger

Date: 4-27-20

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

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Mr. Payne is requesting a 265% rate increase on 5000 gallons of water usage.

When did the PUCT base water rates on how old a water system is. Mr. Payne purchased the water system on April 1, 2018. At this time he knew (1) the water system was 29 years old as emphasized in a letter to his customers dated April 8, 2020. (2) condition of the equipment & piping was bad and needed repairs. (3) cost of operation, (4) water rates, (5) and the cash flow was marginal to recoup his investment.

Now after 2 years of operation this has not turned out to be the money making scheme that Mr. Payne thought it would be. Now he wants to plead his case to the PUCT to bail him out of a financial blunder that no informed prudent investor would consider.

I highly recommend that the Middle Trinity Ground Water Conservation District in Stevesville TX and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality in Waco make a thorough inspection of this neglected water system.

Yes, I Protest the proposed Rate Change

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