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The ratepayers of the Leroy-Tours-Gerald Water Supply (LTG) respectfully request the PUC to disregard LTG's request to dismiss our appeal to the PUC, and that our case proceed to be heard.

Regardless of the fact that we failed to provide the petition to LTG due to miscommunication on our part, the petition was available to LTG, and they acknowledged having that information by attempting to discard some of the petition signatures.

The ratepayers have clearly stated their objection to the rate increases adopted by LTG, and their voices deserve to be heard. The methodology of the increase is unfair to the members, because there is no differentiation between a user of 500 gallons of water and a user of 100,000 gallons of water.

We acknowledge that rate increases are inevitable, but it is unfair to increase the minimum rate rather than the actual usage charge. The usage rate would encourage conservation by all users.

At this point LTG has not even asked us for a meeting to discuss the issue. Their immediate reaction was to try to avoid even considering listening to the ratepayers concerns. It seems like they should want to sit down and discuss the issue and come to a reasonable agreement that is fair for everyone.

Therefore, we respectfully request that the hearing be allowed to move forward.

Sincerely,

David Arnett Representative