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Leroy-Tours-Gerald Water Supply (LTG) submitted a request on September 13, 2024 to the PUC to recover their costs due to the filing of the LTG ratepayers' petition opposing their rate increase.

The LTG ratepayers request that the PUC disregard their request for recovery, since the reason LTG has legal expenses is due to the fact that LTG has been unwilling to meet with me to discuss the rate increase. We could have had a conversation without a lawyer, and then they would have had no expenses.

When we filed the petition, we only wanted them to consider a more fair way of raising needed funds. The ratepayers didn't involve an attorney. The immediate reaction of LTG was to involve an attorney. When I called their attorney, he told me he has instructed LTG not to talk to me. What are they afraid of?

The costs of the LTG lawyer should be paid by the LTG Board who voted for the unfair increase. The rest of the LTG corporation members (the ratepayers) should not have to pay for the costs incurred by the Board, who refused to discuss the issue with the ratepayers and instead wanted to push their own agenda through.

Therefore, we request that this topic not be included in the PUC hearing unless the PUC is willing to reimburse LTG's costs so that there is no additional charge to ratepayers.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

David Arnett  
Representative