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Subject: Kentucky-American Water Company's
Request For Rate Increases

From: W. R. Miller 
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Date: February 25, 2016

As you know, subject utility company serving Lexington, KY is again requesting your Commission to approve its request for yet another rate increase, after just filing for one three years ago on January 27, 2013. The current proposed rate increase resquest is dated January 29, 2016 and is to take effect February 28, 2016. According to a notice I received from subject utility company its request to you represents an overall increase of 17% to the "proposed average bill" to Kentucky-American Water Company's residential customers. With this notification I wish to go on record as protesting approval of this latest Kentucky-American Water Company request for another rate increase. I take this position because the high amount of increase requested is unreasonable, unwarranted and unconscionable under any standard of fair business ethics - particularly with respect to a public utility monopoly which controls a community's water supply. With so many people suffering because of our country's slow recovery from one of the worst economic recessions ever, one must question Kentucky-American Water Company's motives by imposing such a harsh and punitive rate increase on its customer base. I would remind the Commission that the people in Kentucky who are on Social Security did not receive a COLA increase in benefits beginning in 2016. Furthermore, Kentucky residents who are retired former state employees have not received an increase in their pension benefits for over 3 years. Add on top of that the cost of Obamacare and it seems to me the Kentuckians are more than just a little tapped out financially - and that's before they pay for turning on the water tap. I think any utiility, much less a monopoly like Kentucky-American Water Company, which

“controls our water supply, that would ask for a rate increase in such economically depressed times as those experienced by Kentuckians is unworthy of the rate increase its asking for. On behalf of many citizens of Lexington, KY who live on a fixed income, I beg you to deny Kentucky-American Water Company's request for a rate increase.

**CC: Kentucky-American Water Company
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