

Leighton, Adele

From: Smith, Kim on behalf of PUC
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2008 1:19 PM
To: Leighton, Adele; Howland, Debra; Noonan, Amanda; Naylor, Mark; Raymond, Margaret
Subject: FW: Pennichuck Water Woks Price Increase

I have attached an internet e-mail from our PUC account for Docket No. DW 08-073, Pennichuck Water Works.

--Kim

-----Original Message-----

From: gwalters@parker.com [mailto:gwalters@parker.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2008 11:13 AM
To: PUC
Subject: Pennichuck Water Woks Price Increase



Dear PUC;

While safe drinking water and the continued safety to my family is of the utmost importance, it seems like poor business practices to require a 25% increase in rates. I wish I could mandate a 25% increase in my salary so easily.

So I am strongly hoping that the Utilities Commission will represent the people to understand that while this seems like a small amount of money per year, we the consumers are being hit everywhere with price increases over the past year. Gas, food, oil, heating fuels, etc. just to name a few.

Rather than a 25% increase that will continue on forever, If there is a specific cost related to an upgrade of the system, I would rather see that amount amortized in our bills over a SET period of time to pay off the loan or establish capital for the project. Allowing a 25% increase with no system of checks and balances leaves the budget flexibility unlimited and the next thing we the people know, we are being asked for another 25% increase.

Good luck and I hope that these options can be considered in an effort to responsibly consider our hard earned money.

I can certainly be reached to discuss these ideas further if you are interested.

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