

## Leighton, Adele

From: Smith, Kim on behalf of PUC

Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2008 4:23 PM

To: Leighton, Adele; Howland, Debra; Noonan, Amanda; Naylor, Mark; Raymond, Margaret

Subject: FW: Notice of Pre-Hearing Conference on Aguarion Water Co. for Nov 5, 2008

I have attached an internet e-mail from our PUC account regarding Docket No. DW 08-098, Aquarion Water

Company.

--Kim

----Original Message-----

From: Jack Batalha [mailto:JBatalha@controlmod.com]

Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2008 3:49 PM

To: PUC

Cc: Jack Batalha

Subject: Notice of Pre-Hearing Conference on Aquarion Water Co. for Nov 5, 2008

Dear Commission,

I want to object to Aquarion's request for more rate increases. They already increased the rates on us last year and they are requesting more. They should follow the same practices that are being used by other manufacturer's and utilities and cut their costs all around. I do not agree to increasing the rates on all of the residents for plant additions or improvements. They should be looking at cutting costs (expenses) and perhaps reduce their payroll and passing the savings to the customers. If they feel compelled to raise rates they should look at the large corporations and raise their rates accordingly and not beat on residents.

These are very hard economic times and for them to have this petition to increase rates is not acceptable. Please consider my email as a <u>NO vote</u> to the increases that Aquarion Water Company is requesting. Your consideration is very much appreciated.

Any questions I can also be reached by cell phone at 413-210-6277 or at work at 860-253-4215

Regards, Jack & Grace Batalha 7 F Street Hampton, NH 03842