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Subject: Objection - Unreasonable proposal

I have just received Order No 25,809 regarding Lakes Region Water Company rate increase proposal. I cannot believe the Commission is seriously considering allowing the Company to increase its rates by \$59.77 per quarter.

This is an unprecedented rate for water. Currently the rate is approximately \$160/quarter, which is already very high. The new rate would be about \$210 PER QUARTER, or \$850/YEAR. And that doesn't even include sewer - it's just water. This seems especially ironic in the "Lakes Region" where there is an abundance of water. I appreciate the fact there's a smaller density and the water has to be treated etc. However, again, the rates do not include sewer treatment and don't seem to be in line with communities in other areas.

The Commission needs to find another solution. If this Company is not capable of operating within reasonable budgets, perhaps another solution needs to be found. Certainly gouging consumers is not an option.

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