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Sent: Sunday, December 31, 2017 3:26 PM

To: PUC:

Subject: PENNICHUCK EAST UTILITY, INC. RATE INCREASE

I am opposed to the proposed rate increase for the following reasons:

A. They have not put any money in the operating costs for the infrastructure. They only mark the shut offs on a yearly basis with blue paint.

B. They have not invested in upgrades to the Water Treatment Plant as their letter

suggests. They purchase water wholesale from the Manchester Water Works and jack up the price 450%.

- C. The water mains are mostly only 2" in diameter and do not support fire hydrants because they are undersized. In fact, the closest hydrant to my house is 1,800' away and is owned and maintained by the Manchester Water Works.
- D. What ever happened to their rates being lower as they promised to do when they purchased the water utility from Pennichuck Water Co. several years ago?

Sincerely,

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