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Washington Utilities Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr, SW
PO Box 47250
Attention: Consumer Affairs
Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Harrison Ray Tariff Increase Docket # 071771

Commission:

As a land owner and consumer of the water provided by the Harrison Ray Water Company (Burbank operation), I request denial of the current proposed and temporary rate request now before you for approval.

This increase does not equate to "parity" for similar providers (both in design and capacity) within a mile radius. Control procedures and costs, as previously presented to your staff, delineated such rates and I request a complete evaluation of the Harrison Company, its procedures, quality control and customer usage rates before any rates be increased and reviewed with consumers in a public meeting locally for our attendance and input.

The proposed rates are excessive and abuse the costs of ground water, a nature resource that is "free," with out option for the homeowner to care for properties without a major financial impact.

The past history of this company continues to be that they charge the homeowner for water with these excessive cost increases that are now before you with minimal service. The costs currently under review claim a 36% increase by the company, but as a homeowner these costs may far exceed the company's needs.

Again I request denial for this rate increase and an open public meeting locally with the Burbank district residents.

Thank You.

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