

**COMMENT FORM FOR: BEATRICE VONTOBEL - ID# 3010**

<b>Consumer Information</b>	
Confidential Comment	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Name	BEATRICE VONTOBEL
Organization Company	
Address	[REDACTED]
City, State, Zip Code	EASTSOUND WASHINGTON 98245-1268
Email	[REDACTED]
Primary Phone #	[REDACTED] Fax #
Secondary Phone #	[REDACTED]

<b>Comment Information</b>		
Theme	Drastic Increase	Open Date 05/17/2007
Filing Support	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Undecided	Closed Date
Source	<input type="radio"/> Email <input type="radio"/> Mail <input type="radio"/> Phone <input checked="" type="radio"/> Web	Web Create Date 05/16/2007
Public Involvement Lead	John Cupp	
Duplicate Comment	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	

**Description** As president of the Orcas Highlands Association (a bulk water user of 105 connections through Rosario Utilities), I/we would like to ask for a suspension of the rate increase proposed by Rosario Utilities for the following reasons:

- 1) We received notice of the rate increase request on May 12. Letter was written May 11.
- 2) WUTC hearing is scheduled for May 23. This is a very short time to gather pertinent information and pose questions which need to be answered before a rate increase takes effect (scheduled for July 1)

Instead, we propose the following:

- 1) Hold the hearing on Orcas Island. We will pay for transportation of those needed from WUTC to be in attendance here. (This was done in 2002, when the last rate increase took place)
- 2) Postpone the hearing for at least two months, to give all affected property owners (Rosario Property Owners Assn and Vusario Homeowners Assn, plus OHA) time to gather data and information so as to be fully able to comment/testify at the hearing.
- 3) Suspend any rate increase until the first two conditions have been met.

The proposed sale of Rosario Utilities to Washington Water, with controlling interest to a California company makes all of us very uneasy about this rate increase and its size.

Sincerely,  
Bea vonTobel

Second comment 5/17/07, 6:00am

Re Docket 070944:

I posted as many of the Orcas Highlands homeowners as I had e-mail addresses for, urging them to make their comments re the proposed RU rate hike request known to you.

Their e-mails have been returned to them.

Please make the correction on your website so that comments on this matter will get to you.

It's another good reason to postpone the hearing from May 23rd to another date---and to hold it on Orcas. The offer still stands about transporting any needed WUTC officials to the island for that meeting.

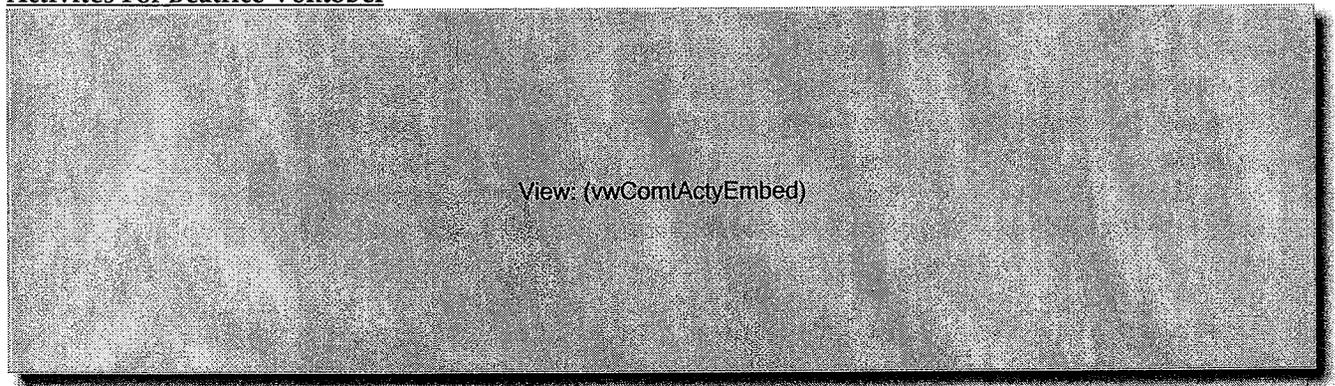
Attachments

Follow-Up Information		Other Follow-Up Information	
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Follow-Up Staff		Other Follow-Up Staff	
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Issue Information	
Issue ID	169
Company	Rosario Utilities, Llc
Filing	070944
Staff	Jim Ward

Complaint Information	
Unresolved Complaint	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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