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July 24, 2016

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary
Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Subject: Docket UW-160533

Dear Mr. King:

I respectfully request the commission reconsiders the discussion to deny my hearing and evaluate UTC's electronic filing system in accordance with WAC 480-07-140(1)(a).

I had no intention to criticize the commission or create an adversarial relationship but rather to bring to your attention a deficiency, foster change and improve communication and documentation between the UTC and the company's under its authority. Without the violation and subsequent letters, I would have never noticed a company may only electronically submit and may not electronically file with the UTC.

I electronically submitted the Solmar Water System Annual Report via the UTC's electronic filing web portal on April 29, 2016, and I electronically submitted the Solmar Water System Annual Report via email to Mr. Bennett, UTC staff, on June 15, 2016. The Annual Report was filed by UTC staff not a Solmar Water System employee. Unfortunately, Solmar Water System, nor any company, may file in accordance with WAC 480-07-140(1)(a), which states "You may file documents electronically....." A company may only comply with WAC 480-07-140(1)(b), which states "You may submit documents electronically....." Since the commission has accepted and filed the electronically submitted Annual Report without a paper copy, the Annual Report falls under WAC 480-07-140(1)(a) not140(1)(b).

I respectfully request the commission to review the UTC electronic filing web portal wording, "E-filing allows **you to submit** documents electronically to the commission.....", the electronic filing cover page with a "**submit request**" button only, and the external confirmation email title, "UTC E-Filing **submission** received....." At no point, is there an option within the electronic filing portal for "**you to file**".

I also respectfully request the commission complies with 480-07-140(1)(a) by creating a electronic filing system where "you" the company may file, and the filing includes an internal verification. This would foster a more accurate documentation process for both, the UTC and

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the company, and would allow the adheres of electronic filing standards typical of other governing State agencies.

I bring this to your attention and make my request with respect and complete awareness of your authority over my company.

I've attached a check for \$250.00 not because I wish to mitigate this violation, but I understand the commission may refuse my second request for a hearing or acknowledge a deficiency in the system and additional penalties will be levied if a payment is not received by July 27, 2016.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kate O'Claire".

Kate O'Claire
President

Attachment