Barbara Money

From: "MELVIN CHAR" <mkchar7@comcast.net>
To: "Barbara Money" <barbsq@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 01, 2008 10:21 PM
Subject: Re: Petition Opposing Water Rate Increase

Barbara;
I do concur and wish to have my complaint filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

My Best Regards,
Mel Char <meloter@yahoo.com>; <mkchar7@comcast.net>

On Jun 1, 2008, at 4:53 PM, Barbara Money wrote:

Concerned Citizens of Greater Diamond Point Docket UW-080926 May 23, 2008

Petition Opposing rate increase

Please join us in contesting the proposed rate increase by Aquarius Utilities. Print, sign and return this email to or mail/deliver to Barb Money at 10 Eagles Rest Lane. Barb will collect and provide the signed petitions to the WUTC. Barb's phone number is 360-681-3851. Help a neighbor without a computer and print an extra copy for him/her.

Concerned Citizens of Greater Diamond Point do not approve the proposed rate increase on 2 key points:

1. We object to the rate increase until the AU submitted rate related expenditures are audited by the Concerned Citizens of Greater Diamond Point.

2. Withhold rate approvals until all conditions are met.

(a) CCoGDP or the regulatory agencies should not give up the only leverage, money, while important issues are unresolved. Aquarius mislead readers of the DWSRF Loan applications about having negotiated a Franchise Agreement
with Clallam County when it had not. Clallam County sent Aquarius a notice that failure to comply with a new Clallam County Franchise Agreement
to the County Prosecutor May 29th, 2008. Clallam County had excused past dues of $12,000 for Aquarius and it's customers between 2000 and 2008.

(b) Aquarius failed to obtain a rate increase from the WUTC by the June 4th, 2008 due date as a condition for approval by the Public Works Board (PWB) on the four new 2008 DWSRF Loan requests. The PWB Staff are recommending an

extension of another 3 months to their Board of Commissioner meeting on June 3rd, 2008.

(c) The Eagles Rest residents and AU agreement to fix continued drainage on their properties remains
unresolved.

(d) The proposed DP tank upgrades exceed earlier agreed upon scope.

(e) Collaborative scope/design of the DP upgrade, ultimately CCoGDP had to involve a lawyer
requesting information.

In addition, can the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission explain the advantage of its Single Rate Tariff as applied to Diamond Point residents? Why isn't a balance or check point included in the single rate principle, to prevent the punitive rates we are continuing to experience. A previous meeting at the WUTC held 2003, was not concludedsatisfactorialy, although we were assured that the rates increases would balance out with the increase in new customers. Doesn't the WUTC have a legal responsibility to ensure a fair and balanced implementation for all customers?

To add insult to injury, AU proposes a 1.6M$ pipe replacement project for DP, to be funded via a surcharge. At $5/month per customer, AU claims an annual budget of $50,000 for incremental implementation. Thats is a total project duration of 32 years!!! Why would the WUTC even consider such a cash stream? We will have to live with torn up streets for 32 years. Neither AU or DP customers will be alive by then. This is totally unacceptable, all of DP suffering and paying for AU's failure to execute 2 funded projects in a timely fashion. CCoGDP considers this proposal a reward for extremely poor management and it is highly unlikely that such a surcharge can be colleted without extreme protestation by the community.

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Signed; _____ No signature required
if returned by e-mail

Print Name; _____

6/2/2008

Date; _____

Address;

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