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Re: Petition for rule change

Commissioners:

This is a petition to change the rule contained in WAC 480-110-255 which sets the maximum average annual revenue per customer for non-regulated water systems as \$429.0 per year.

RCW 80.040.10 authorizes the commission to increase this limit annually to reflect the rate of inflation as determined by the implicit price deflator of the US Department of Commerce.

Information available to this company indicates that this limit was in effect in the 1999 printing of the Washington Administrative Code and may have been in effect prior to that time.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics consumer price index for the western region increased from 166.4 in January of 1999 to 188.3 in December of 2003, a change of 13.26 per cent.

This company is a privately owned for profit stock company serving fifty five connections on the south end of Lopez Island in San Juan County and now charging the maximum of \$429 per customer per year. For the past few years as our profit has declined to the point where we have not been able to set aside sufficient reserves to provide for replacement of equipment that is now more than twenty years old.

Therefore we request that the commission follow the procedure authorized in the RCW and increase the ceiling specified in WAC 480-110-255 to \$480.00 per year.

Sincerely yours


Patrick C. Roe
President

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