

COMMENT FORM FOR: **ROBERT AUSTIN** - ID# 3027

Consumer Information	
Confidential Comment <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	Contact Method <input checked="" type="radio"/> Email <input type="radio"/> Mail <input type="radio"/> None
Name	ROBERT AUSTIN
Organization Company	
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Comment Information		
Theme		Open Date 05/22/2007
Filing Support	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Undecided	Closed Date
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Duplicate Comment	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
Description	<p>Attn: Mr. Jim Ward</p> <p>Dear Mr. Ward,</p> <p>I have several concerns about the proposed rate increases for our water service from Rosario Utilities, and believe that neither I nor the other residents affected by the proposed increases have enough information to agree to the proposed increase, and I hereby request that the decision be suspended until this information becomes available. In particular, I am concerned that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The tariff document shown on your site includes only 6 of the 45 pages indicated in the table of contents. 2. The "base rate" calculations appear outmoded, and constructed to provide favorable rates to Rosario Resort, at the expense of residential ratepayers; Rosario Utilities LLC is owned by the same company which owns Rosario. 3. It appears that there may be cross subsidies between water and sewer--that is, water users may be helping subsidize sewer rates; we have a drainfield and don't use a sewer system. 4. Rosario Utilities has taken out an an additional \$200k loan to replace the existing pipe with a larger one. However, the existing pipe has served existing customers well. Why has this action been taken? The only sensible explanation is that the extra capacity is required by Rosario to support expansion for their proposed Master Plan. I do not believe it is fair to ratepayers to require us to subsidize costs required for their own 	

for-profit development.

5. It is proposed that Rosario Utilities LLC be sold to Washington Water. Why are the rates being raised ahead of that sale? I believe that such an increase should take place following a sale, if such a sale takes place, and strongly recommend that this is the appropriate sequence of events.

I have some additional concerns, but this is a start--please do consider delaying the approval of this sale until I and the rest of the affected residents can obtain sufficient information to make a balanced decision.

Sincerely yours,
Robert Austin

Attachments

Follow-Up Information		Other Follow-Up Information	
Follow-Up	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Other Follow-Up	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Follow-Up Staff	j	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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