

## Carmody, Jody

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**From:** Smith, Kim on behalf of PUC  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 27, 2008 2:42 PM  
**To:** Leighton, Adele; Howland, Debra; Naylor, Mark; Noonan, Amanda; Raymond, Margaret; Carmody, Jody  
**Subject:** FW: Pennichuck Pre-Hearing Conference

I have attached an internet e-mail from our PUC account for Docket No. DW 08-073, Pennichuck Water Works.

--Kim

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Joseph Olefirowicz [mailto:josepholefirowicz@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 27, 2008 12:46 PM  
**To:** PUC  
**Subject:** Pennichuck Pre-Hearing Conference

To whom it may concern,

As a recent resident of Nashua, and shocked at how high water rates are in this city, compared to our neighbors in the south (Methuen, for example) - I am more than enraged to receive notice about the Pre-Hearing conference. Pennichuck only recently went from a quarterly system to monthly payment system, where anyway it is unclear to me and most residents of Nashua why there is a basic charge even to have a water meter in one's home, before useage even begins. This, coupled with an unclear manner of how the city itself calculates waste water additional charges- water is expensive enough in this city.

Let's not forget the completely unscrupulous practice of sending out the written notice to this "public" hearing to arrive in home mailboxes ONE day before the actual hearing is to take place. Does Pennichuck not wish for the public to be involved in this process? Of course not. In the days of soaring oil and gas prices, considerations of this manner from any company, and at this steep grade of increase, is nothing short of irresponsible.

I would strongly hope that the commission would reject this asinine increase in already high water costs for the residents of Nashua.

Sincerely,

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