

Good Morning!

It is very disappointing that I have read the commission is moving forward with allowing pennichuck to increase the water rates for Litchfield. The rate is already extremely high compared to neighboring towns. When connected to Pennichuck service the town of Litchfield was given no choice. As a home owner I would have preferred to connect to Manchester Water as the rates are lower and the water is properly treated and not discolored and undrinkable.

It is the job of the commission to keep utilities fair and competitive in a monopoly environments. There is no other voice from water, the commission should set the rate comparable to the surrounding towns and Pennichuck should have to sort out a budget just like Every other business in America.

When has it become standard practice to allow exclusive utilities to raise rates so high families are choosing between water or other needed bills in their home.

Please deny the rate increase for water.

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