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To: Leighton, Adele; Howland, Debra; Noonan, Amanda; Raymond, Margaret; Naylor, Mark
Subject: FW: Pennichuck Water Work

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

-Kim

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From: O'Malley Tom [mailto:Thomas.Omalley@maax.com]
Sent: Sunday, October 05, 2008 5:31 PM
To: PUC
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Much has been said and written about the infamous water wars in Nashua over the past several years. It appears to have died down, but I'm finding the cost of water here to be increasingly outrageous. I live by myself since my son left for college in Sept. and still look at high bills.

Everyone has higher costs today – I work for a manufacturer nationally and travel over 100 nights per yr. To suggest a public utility deserves a 25.27% price adjustment in this business climate is adding insult to injury. I don't care what the reasons are.

- How many people have they and the State furloughed to accommodate the economy?
- What water saving measures are being taken?
- If the State or Fed Gov't has passed new legislation for the Safe Drinking Water Act – was it funded, or just based on raising rates?
- Why should we pay for a capital expenditure for a water treatment plant thru a water company? Who owns it – should they not make the improvement?

In general the entire State of NH and all public utilities should be looking for ways to cut costs for a fixed amount and pass it on to consumer. Wall Street is not the only group that has overspent.

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