

October 25, 2017  
Commissioner  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Co.  
21 South Fruit Street  
Suite 10  
Concord, NH 03301

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Dear Commissioner:

On September 7, 2017, the Hampstead Area Water Company proposed a 17% increase for its customers. We, Alfred and Carol Cipriano of 36 Forrest Street, East Hampstead, NH 03826 hereby propose formal opposition to this unreasonable increase. We can see no major infrastructure improvement that justifies a 17% increase. We have community wells, there is no reservoir, no infrastructure providing for an entire city in our area.

This proposed increase places a burden on residents on a fixed income, given the average cost of living increase for social security is about 1%.

As of Sept., 2017, the consumer price index was approximately 2.2%.

We urge the commission to reject this increase because this company continues to raise rates.

We could understand a reasonable increase of 2%.

Yours truly,

*Al Cipriano*  
*Carol Cipriano*  
Al and Carol Cipriano