

Dear Commissioners,

My name is Rene St George, I reside at 7 Clark Street in Belmont New Hampshire and have been notified by mail that the Abenaki Water Company has submitted a request to increase their water rates. After carefully reviewing the notice I received, I am very concerned that the increase that they are requesting is extremely unreasonable and places a financial burden on the customer base they serve and me. It is my understanding that I pay the second highest rate in the state after the PUC in New Hampshire allowed for an increase in the rates a few years ago.

I am retired and a military veteran and I live on a fixed income. This increase that the Abenaki Water Company is requesting will put an extreme financial burden on me and my wife and we will not be able to pay our water bill. My wife takes several medications daily and that cost in addition to my mortgage and other monthly debts has us walking a fine line financially.

I have spoken to some of the neighbors in my area and they also object to the water rate increase and have their own individual financial burdens I am requesting that the PUC Commissioners consider denying the request by the Abenaki Water Company to increase its rates as it places an extremely unreasonable financial burden on its customer base.

Thank you for your consideration into this matter. If you need to contact me, my home address is above and my email address is spirited5671@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
Rene & Manon St George