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Arizona Corporation Commission  
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Honorable ACC Commissioners,

My name is Paul E. Christian address is 5550 Club House Drive, Fort Mohave, AZ. 86426 my phone# is 928-768-6367. I respectfully request your assistance in denying Arizona American Water Company their latest request for yet another wastewater rate increase from \$49.65 to \$89.10 per month.

I live in an area where my water is supplied by Bermuda Water Company, who charge for the amount of water I use which is \$24.28 monthly average and that includes my irrigation and water fountain usage. Wastewater service is provided by Arizona American Water Company who charges a flat rate fee with no regard as to wastewater usage. I am away from my home during the hottest 3 months of the year and generate no wastewater, therefore no wastewater service is performed, but because I continue my water service in order to keep my landscape plants and trees alive, according to Arizona American Water customer service department, I can't stop wastewater service during that period, and I get billed every month, currently \$49.65 and they are now asking for yet another increase to \$89.10, that's 79%. I think the current flat rate system of billing is wrong! We should only have to pay for the amount of service used, just like with electric, gas, water, phone etc. Wastewater fees should be based on the amount of wastewater service used. Every household is different. I admit, Short of placing a meter on the wastewater line I don't know how that could work. Maybe a more fair formula could be devised based on a percentage of water usage, not all the water a household uses ends up in the wastewater system.

Arizona American Water Company mentioned in the letter I received, that \$4.5 million dollars was spent in the Mohave wastewater district. Primarily expanding the Wishing Well treatment plant. That plant is about a mile from my house and I pass by there twice everyday. I question when and what work was performed, as I have not seen any work in that area. Maybe some oversight by your Commission is warranted. I'm sure by now you are aware what has happened to our economy caused by Corporate America's greed and lack of sufficient regulatory oversight. I'm beginning to believe that maybe the same culture has made it's way into our utilities sector. My information shows that Arizona American Water wastewater service fees are much higher here than in neighboring areas they service. I believe that if you check into their operation here you will find that they sell the treated wastewater back to Desert Lakes Golf Course for irrigation, what a sweetheart deal, we pay for treating the water and they make more money by selling it. I request that you check and physically verify that this project they mention was in fact done and that \$4.5 million dollars was in fact spent. Please don't use the excuse, "we don't have sufficient personnel to check these things". Your agency is the only protection Arizona consumers have to protect us from greed and corruption, please protect us. I ask you, what would be your reaction if your wastewater bill increased from \$39.00 to \$89.10 a month during a two-year period?

Very Respectfully,

*Paul E. Christian*  
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