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From: Charles Campbell [chuck.campbell@cox.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2008 6:10 PM  
To: Gleason-WebEmail  
Subject: Arizona American Water rate increase request

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Dear Mr. Gleason,

Today in the mail I received a letter from Arizona American Water, who is the utility that furnishes water to our area. They wanted to explain to the customers their recent request for a rate increase to the Arizona Corporation Commission. They explained that the rate increase would equate to \$0.47 a day for the average household. In their letter, it states the average household with a 5/8" meter using a monthly consumption of 7,400 gallons of water would see an increase from \$24.16 to \$38.21. That's an increase of **58.17%**. In these economic times, there is nothing, absolutely nothing that justifies a 58% increase.

I implore the Corporation Commission to deny this rate increase request. The sheer amount of the request is beyond comprehension. I am not against a company meeting needs and making a *reasonable* profit, but when they raise rates by 58%, I have a problem with that.

The consumer is bailing out the financial markets, the insurance companies, now the automobile industry and Arizona American wants to raise rates 58%. PLEASE VOTE NO!

Thank you.

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