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**Sent:** Friday, February 19, 2010 5:33 PM  
**To:** Paul Newman  
**Subject:** Rate Consolidation, Bundling and Rate Increases by AZ American Water

**To:** Mr. Paul Newman  
Arizona Corporate Commission

**From:** Trudy Bryson and Larry Vroom Registered AZ voters  
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**Re:** Rate Consolidation, Bundling and Rate Increases  
Utility Name: Arizona-American Water Company, Inc.  
Docket Numbers: W-01303A-09-0343 and SW-01303A-09-0343

We are adamantly opposed to the proposed rate consolidation, bundling and rate increases by AZ American Water Company, Inc.

Firstly, Sun City has some of, if not the best water in the state, so this consolidation/bundling process will require us to pay for treatment in other communities that our water does not need. We are a retirement community with most residents on fixed incomes and this move will unduly, financially burden us.

Secondly, the current residential wastewater rate for Sun City is \$13.69. According to AZ-American's model with the **non-consolidated** rate increase proposed, the proposed rate will be \$19.34 for residential wastewater, however, with rate **consolidation** the rate would be \$36.68, a total of a **168% increase** from the present residential wastewater rate. Again, such an immense increase will adversely affect the majority of Sun City residents who are retired.

Thirdly, the application from AZ American Water for a 27.7% increase in water and a 40.8% increase in wastewater is outrageous. Any price increases for water and wastewater in Sun City, affects not only the individual residents in their monthly bills, but also the fees that we pay to the Recreation Centers of Sun City, which is a **non-profit corporation**. The RCSC serves and is funded by the 27,931 residents and they will have to pass on these additional water and wastewater expenses through additional fees to residents.

We urge you to seriously consider the negative impact of rate consolidation, bundling and rate increases on Sun City and its residents and reject AZ American Waters proposals.

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