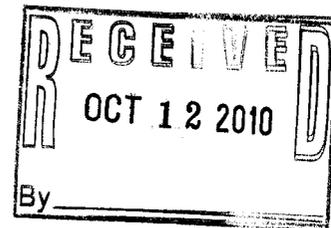


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W-02500A-10-0382

Dear Commissioner Newman

Subject: ~~Docket # W-02500A-10-0382~~

As a resident of Eagle Crest Ranch I must tell you that I am starting to feel as if I am back in the old days of the west. An unscrupulous water baron is extorting money from me for the water I need for survival. That water baron is none other than Goodman Water Company.

Three years ago they were granted an increase of about 120% (reference document #W=02500A-06-0281) which at that time was overwhelming. Now they are asking for another 50%. Again, overwhelming! If granted, that would equal 170% of the base amount 5 years ago.

According to their argument they need a greater return on their investment. This, of course, is supported by Goodman's expert representative, Mr. Bourassa, using his textbook formulas and tables that only a college Ph.D. could begin to understand. It is understandable that they would want a greater profit for themselves. After all, don't we all?

But I would urge you, Commissioner Newman, to consider that a typical water bill with other nearby companies is on an average of about \$20. Goodman wants and will get close to \$100 a month from each subscriber in Eagle Crest Ranch if their current request is approved and granted. In today's economy I do not consider such an impact fair in any way to the ECR residents. So it is incumbent upon you to judge either in favor of Goodman Water or the residents of ECR. I urge you to seriously consider a judgment in favor of the residents.

Consider that in the current economy there are many out of work and many on fixed incomes. As far as return on investment, the stock market volatility makes it difficult to earn any kind of rate with certainty. It is also very hard to find a return as high as 1.4% even on a certificate of deposit—that is if you are fortunate enough to have money to put into a CD. But Goodman wants almost 12%? And as for their risk factor, there can be little risk when you have customers who must have your product.

I urge you to consider strongly the potential impact your decision will have on the people of ECR. We cannot all just pick up and move to where the water is cheaper.

Respectfully Submitted

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