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We are very concerned about the proposed rate increase application by Litchfield Park Service Company.

We recognize that the company must make a profit to be successful, but also part of being a successful business is being responsible.

In this case it seems very irresponsible to wait almost 8 years to file a rate increase application and then propose a 94% increase to our rates (based on our 9/10 bill). Water and sewer are essential expenses. You are our only defense to prevent the supplier from charging whatever it chooses.

We have reviewed the current status of the application. If we understand it correctly, the recommended increase would be in 3 phases, all within 1 year and would still result in a 63% increase in our water and sewer bill. A 63% increase for an essential service in 1 year just isn't realistic or manageable anytime, let alone in these trying economic times.

We suggest the following:

1. Litchfield Park Service Company absorb a significant portion of the increase for waiting almost 8 years to file a rate increase application. They need to be held accountable for this irresponsible action.
2. Phase in whatever increase is approved over time so that rates don't increase more than 15% per year. This is still an excessive increase by any standard we know of, but at least more manageable.
3. Take a close look at the usage tiers. To us it seems the tops of tier 1 (3,000 gal.) and tier 2 (9,000 gal.) appear low. It's hard for us to imagine how all of anyone's usage could fit into tier 1 regardless of their conservation efforts.

In summary, when making your determination, we urge you to try and put yourselves in the shoes of the consumers, many who are living from pay check to pay check, and think how you would react to such a proposal and accommodate such an increase within that pay check.

Sincerely yours,

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