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Sent: Wednesday, May 9, 2012
To: Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Utilities Div - Mailbox
Subject: Docket No. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

I strongly support the decision of the Administrative Law Judge that states "deconsolidation of the Anthem / Agua Fria Wastewater district is not in the best interest at this time." I am requesting that the Arizona Corporation Commission accept and approve this position.

Our water rates have more than doubled in the past 2 years and the possibility of an additional increase of nearly \$68 per month through deconsolidation is a hardship you should not allow to be imposed on any single community. Imagine your own household facing this increase. This effort to isolate each community and set different water and wastewater rates puts an undue burden on the smaller communities as well as on EPCOR who must then apply for rate increases multiple times.

I hope that the Commission will accept the ALJ's recommendation and base this decision on what is in the best interest of the entire area, and not on political pressure from one large community/voter block. United we stand, divided we fall...this was true when this country was founded. Dividing and pitting one community against another for any reason should be guarded against. Keep it simple, keep us united, and keep it fair.

Thank you for your efforts to represent the best interests of all the residents involved.

Sincerely,
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Arizona Corporation Commission

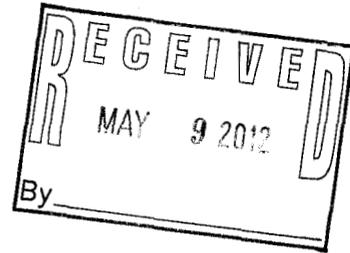
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Dear Commissioner(s)
SW01303A-09-0343

I am writing in support of deconsolidation of the Anthem/Agua Fria Wastewater District. I strongly believe that Anthem customers should pay for the treatment plants, facilities and infrastructure that serve our community. As Anthem residents, we pay for a state of the art wastewater treatment facility; why should we **also be paying for the costs of facilities that we do not use and will never use?** Anthem's system has no physical connection to the Agua Fria system. **We should not pay for what is not used and useful by Anthem residents.**

I understand that deconsolidation will result in increased rates for Agua Fria customers. I also understand that the Anthem Community Council has proposed a phase-in of the rates similar to what we experienced in the recent water rate case as a means of softening the impact. I support the phase-in as a means of mitigating the effect of the rate increase through a 3-year phase-in of the rates.

The bottom line is that deconsolidation of the Anthem/Agua Fria wastewater district is the right thing to do under the current model for private water/wastewater systems in Arizona. It returns our service to what is just and reasonable. To not deconsolidate is to go against the principles that the Commission has advocated and would result in different and unfair treatment for Anthem taxpayers.

Respectfully,

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From: Jim Tuor [jtuor@hotmail.com]
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RE: Docket No. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

I am a 68 year old resident of Corte Bella and I strongly support the ALJ's Recommended Opinion and Order (ROO) and request that the Commission adopt the Order at the Open Meeting.

The ACC approved the current makeup of the Anthem/Aqua Fria wastewater district ten years ago. Spreading the burden of reasonable rate increases over the entire district was deemed appropriate then. Now we have unreasonable rate increases proposed every year and Corte Bella is being targeted to carry an unacceptable burden as proposed. Our rates have already more than doubled in the last two years.

This great country was built on integration, not segregation (consolidation not deconsolidation) where we all share a common fairness and good. For the ACC not to accept the ROO decision and reverse the longstanding ACC decision of consolidation, would certainly raise questions of the "politics" involved.

Pitting one valley community against another and creating more administrative work and costs for Epcor to request rate increases individually is not a reasonable or justifiable decision. Continuing the simplicity and fairness of consolidation is the right and logical thing to do for all within the district.

Thank you for your consideration and I trust you will vote to accept the Recommended Opinion and Order as stated by the ALJ.

Respectfully,

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