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Susan Bitter South
Commissioner
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 W Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Far West Water & Sewer, Inc.
Docket# ~~WS-05478A-12-0307~~

We are concerned about the extreme increase in sewer rates that Far West Water & Sewer, Inc. has requested. The increased that they are asking will increase the rate from \$21.75 per month to \$62.65 per month. This is an increase of 188.05%, this is not a reasonable request.

Per Far West and as stated in the Yuma Sun on December 12th 2012 "Far West does not have sufficient resources to pay all of its bills as they become due and obligations to multiple parties are severely overdue". It appears that Far West is not able to manage its business or more likely money has been co-mingled between their many businesses. A full audit of Far West is needed to determine why they are having financial problems and determine were money that should have gone to improving and maintaining the system was spent.

We are retired as are many of our neighbors, this is not a reasonable increase for those of us on fixed incomes. We are sure that it also has an impact on young people with families in these hard economic times.

Please reject the requested sewer rate increase an initiate a full review and audit of Far West and their business practices. We would understand a reasonable and fair increase but only after a full investigation of Far West.

We agree with the suggestion the your Commission should consider letting Far West go into bankruptcy forcing the sale of the Water and Sewer Company.

Sincerely

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