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From: To: Subject:

BitterSmith-Web Dave & Linda Bartholomew RE: Far West Water and Sewer



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Dear Dave & Linda Bartholomew,

I am the executive assistant to Commissioner Susan Bitter Smith. I am responding to you at the directio Commissioner Bitter Smith. We received the email you sent, and take your concerns very seriously. The email you sent has been submitted to the docket for this case and will be part of the record. This response will also be docketed.

Thank you for taking the time to contact us and expressing your concerns.

Teresa Tenbrink Executive Aide to Commissioner Susan Bitter Smith Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 W. Washington Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602) 542-3625

-----Original Message-----From: Dave & Linda Bartholomew Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 2:39 PM To: BitterSmith-Web Subject: Far West Water and Sewer

Dear Arizona Corporations Commission,

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I am extremely disappointed in reading the local Yuma Sun article today, 2/27/13. After seeing the RUCO recommendations and now your own staff recommendations, the hand writing is on the wall.

An Arizona Corporation can totally mismanage itself and get bailed out by the rate payers in the form of an excessive increase in rates.

This Scheckert family, at least the two daughters of Hank Scheckert have raped this community ever since they took over the many corporations they set up to hide this public rape. They have not followed through on promises they made to the community.

1. They promised to clean up the smell in our community. I live at

MER Driving home on a still night, you can smell that plant all over the area. You heard from one speaker on 2/20/13 who lives two blocks from that plant. The smell is constantly in the air. I feel sorry for those folks, at least I get some relief.

2. They promised to build a clubhouse for the Las Barancas Golf Course. They are still in a small trailer on a dirt lot.

All the while, the girls own homes in Phoenix, San Diego, Redmond Oregon, and horse ranches in Oklahoma and Texas, just to name a few.

I have been looking to move out of the Far West area. However, with the economy like it is right now, my home is worth considerably less than when I bought it. If this rate increase goes into affect, my property value will drop even more and it may become impossible to sell. Another lot that I used to own just sold for half of what the person had into it. As it is, property out here in the Foothills is taking 3-4 years to sell and the sellers are having to drop their prices 50% to unload the burden.

To take my annual sewer fee from \$261 per year to \$668.40 is criminal. I live here just short of 6 months. So I am giving them a free \$334.20 so they can go out and develop more property and hook up more of their lots and make more money.

I went through this kind of thing once before. I belonged to an Arizona Gold Wing motorcycle group. The Gold Wing Road Riders Association. GWRRA is a non profit corporation run by the same individuals who own and manage a profit organization, International Business Ventures Corporation, formerly P & S Management. IBVC contracts with GWRRA to provide services to the non profit. We were informed years ago that is not a conflict of interest in Arizona.

I trust that you learned something from the meeting you had here. I was there and everything that the speakers said was true. There was exaggerations or untruths.

I ask that you reconsider your position on this rate increase.

Sincerely,

Dave Bartholomew

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