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There are some things I agree with in Staffs Recommendation. However, there are many things I disagree with.

- 1) The Estimated Rate of \$7.48 per 1,000 gallons of water purchased from the Town of Payson is approximately \$2.00 more per thousand than what the Town actually charges its customer base.
- 2) Since early April we in MDC have been have been in and out of Stage 4 and have currently been under Stage 4 for three weeks. What is strange is that in the past under Stage 4 we who live higher up in the community experience low pressure, minimum water supply and even no water at all due to the system crashing. Then the hauling of water at exorbatant rates and the hauling of water in and out of the community under the fraud of the previous owner and last year the current owner.
- 3) Under the Stage 4 restrictions since April 2014 there has been no hauling, no low pressure, no low volume and outages.
- 4) Hardcastle as has been proven in W-03514-A-12-0008 created an artificial emergency to haul water by giving false evidence of the extreme hauling coast and making gross misrepresentations of material fact to the Commission and Staff. The end result was the hauling of water into and out of MDC and from the Town of Payson to other locations such as EVP and charging the MDC customer for all of the hauling. The company was not to make a profit but they did and we caught them at it. But the ALJ has yet to render a decision (some 2 years later) and denied the Plaintiffs the compliance with subpoenas and the discovery and disclosure requested because he did not know how to enforce the subpoenas.
- 5) Under the proposed rate changes I would now be paying approximately \$115.00 a month for water were formerly I was paying approximately \$50.00. That is almost as outrageous as the \$500.00+ a month water bills under the Augmentation Tarriff that was pure fraud on the community.
- 6) I do not believe the base rate currently at \$16.00 should be increased any more than \$10.00 and it should include at Least 2,000 gallons of water. Furthermore, the rates should not be one blanket rate but one suited to the individual communities.
- 7) The three tiered rate beginning at 3,000 gallons and going up to 7,000 and than 10,000 is outragious and over bearing for all concemed and that the rates proposed for the Gisela and Deer Creek areas should be much lower as that aqua fir is a water basin where water is and always has been pluntiful and where there has never been a need to conserve.
- 8) Hardcastle lied to the ACC and the community of MDC that there was no water under MDC. The Zonge Study and the Geologists assessment of that study coupled with the 10 wells that have been drilled in MDC since 2009 prove him wrong. He told the same lies about the Pine and Strawberry systems and look at what they have accomplished since. Those systems are stable because they drilled the deeper wellls. Yet Williamson at hearing repeated Hardcastles lies. Why?

9) All of the systems owned by PWC have fallen to the greed of the Corporations (BUI & PWC) and have suffered financial loss, foreclosure (45 + in MDC alone since 2009 because of the water problems artificially created) and forced live altermet life styles, lose gardens, trees, shrubs, livestock all because of corporate greed and unwillingness to drill two wells to a 1,000 foot depth and properly maintain the system. Let us not forget that BUI/PWC under Hardcastle was cheating the Well Sharing Agreement Owners out of thousands of gallons and Thousands of dollars a year by stealing water and not proper reimbursing the well owners for the water.

10) The economic side of this is simple. Do the Corporations get wealthier off the backs of the low income Customers in this "Obamasized Economy" or does the ACC see fit to investigate the crimes of the previous owner and give the little guy a financial break. Hardcastle was not the "benevolent benefactor" he was as crooked as the day is long and he ripped off his customers every way he could. MR. Williamson and the Commission should grant the Customers, the Victims, the low income people some relief here instead of gaulging them further with these outragiously high rates for the same service as usual.

11) Staff and the Commissioners need to wake up and remove the wool of gross misrepresentation of material facts from their eyes trun up their hearing aids and look at the real truth and facts and not those manufactured by a slick attorney and corporate greed and profits.

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