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Granite Mountain Water Company
Docket No. W-02467A-14-0230

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Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for allowing Linda and I to intervene in this rate setting matter.

I do plan to attend the hearing on July 14, 2015 at 10:00 am to provide testimony. The major points have been reduced to writing herein.

We purchased two acres and built the first house in Unit 4 in 1990 and have lived their continuously since that time. I served on the Granite Mountain Home Owners Association Board, and as the President, for many years.

My understanding is that Granite Mountain Water Company applied for a large, permanent increase in rates in 2010 and we approved for 18%.

Now, five years later, they are asking for a 54.68% rate increase. For many of us, that increase will mean monthly increases of as much as \$400.00 dollars. We can simply not sustain this increase. In our case, our property value will be substantially decreased if trees and other vegetation die as a result. Further, the CCRs restrict our ability to drill a well. We have no choice but to pay the rate set by the Commission.

This rate is well above the average cost of living adjustments. For example, the Core Inflation numbers (excluding fuel and food) for the years following the latest increase are as follows:

2011	1.65%
2012	2.11%
2013	1.72%
2014	1.6%

That totals 7.08% inflation over that same period. The requested rate increase is seven (7) times that amount.

Please deny this rate increase, or at the very least, restrict it to the actual cost of inflation over that time.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tim Carter". The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent initial "T".

Tim Carter