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RE: Aquila Rate Case #ER-2003-34

To Whom It May Concern:

As Mayor, it is always a concern of mine to watch for the welfare of our citizens. The City has received notification from Aquila that they are requesting a rate increase of natural gas. In today's economy, I understand the increased cost on all services, however, if members within Aquila has had a increase in salary, we do not feel that it is fair to the consumers to pass a rate increase on to us.

The citizens are not the only concern that I have. This rate increase would also effect our school system. With the budget cuts made to education, I would not want to see the schools suffer from this increase.

I am expressing my concern regarding anticipated increase of natural gas and hope this letter is taken into consideration.

Sincerely,

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Janet Gant Mayor

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