

## Missouri Public Service Commission

### Public Comments Report

### Raytown Water Company

WR-2009-0098

#### 11 Unique Comments Received

Date : 12/8/2008

Item	First Name	Last Name	City	State	Public Comments	Staff	Resolution
P200900306	Mary Ann	Blasko	Independence	MO	I am in receipt of the request by Raytown Water Company for a rate increase. A nearly 16% increase in my monthly water bill is simply too high. Like all of us at this time of economic challenges, Raytown Water may need to "tighten" its belt. I am totally, inexplicably opposed to such an enormous increase. How about 2% - 5%? Time to be responsible and reasonable! Thank you, Mary Ann Blasko 816-358-9558	JMR	Letter sent November 19, 2008
P200900307	LaDonna	Copelin	Independence	MO	We already pay the highest water rates for anywhere around here as we have Raytown water. Living in Independence we also pay the highest Sewer rates too by using Independence Sewers. We don't need another increase to pay for their sewers. We already pay for Independence	JMR	Letter sent November 19, 2008
P200900298	Melody	DaMour	Raytown	MO	Why should I pay an additional 15.7% for water just for living in Raytown? Several years ago, sewer got a 17% increase; what were the results, NOTHING! We still don't have curbs, gutters, building ordinances, NOTHING. I bought my house seven years ago and all I have had is tax increases. Sewer 17%, now Water 15.7% and god knows how bad the KCPL/Aquila buy out will cost us. My four year old car has increased on the tax base by 22%. THIS IS NOT RIGHT.		Letter sent October 27, 2008

P200900301	Andrew	Flowers	Raytown	MO	Please help me understand how you can approve a 15.7% pricing increase when typical homeowners like me get no payraises and more tax burdens in this horrible economic time??? This is crazy if you approve this at this time. Also who is on this committee to approve this? I would like to reach individuals of this great state of Missouri who could approve such nonsense! Please send me the committe names and contact info. Thanks!	JMR	Letter sent October 27, 2008
P200900290	Greg	Graeff	Raytown	MO	see attached document NOTE: No document was attached.		Letter sent October 27, 2008
P200900294	Leilani	Haywood	Raytown	MO	I object to the rate increase request. With the state of the economy, I believe a 15% rate increase would cause undue hardship on Raytown residents. I`m amazed at how this has slipped under the radar and hope residents know about this. I think this should be phased in within a 3-year span.	JMR	Letter sent October 27, 2008
P200900295	William	Juliff	Independence	MO	I believe that my water bill should not be raised. I have just had a double rate increase for gas and electric each. With me just living on SS there isn`t enough to go around. I`m 90 yrs. old & can`t afford medicine & I just have enough for food. The reasons for increase, like the 63rd bridge project that project has been completed for approx. 2 years now. Why health ins. & property taxes, they should have to pay there own, nobody pays for mine & let buy there own office supplies.	JMR	Letter sent October 27, 2008

P200900308	Lila	Lewis	Raytown	MO	recd notice of Raytown Water Monopoly wanting to increase-called about the sewer incr. that Raytown just completed-they reviewed my acct-was told that I use a min. amt of water and on the low end of the incr.! with the combined cost of water/sewer, pay \$60-65 per mth-outrageous to have a necessity for \$2 per day! especially since its water from KC and Raytown does nothing but pump it on--items listed for reason of incr. are everyday cost of business-cost is already too much-no need to increase!	JMR	Letter sent November 19, 2008
P200900305	Deanna	Norris	Raytown	MO	(ddw)Customer opposed - customer in home for 14 yrs, says water quality is terrible and no rate increase is justified/ cusotmer has had quality check to no result/ too much is asked for/ rate is now higher than Kansas City/ just because it is a small biz does not give them the right to request raises at will/ customer thinking of moving out of Raytown because water service is terrible/	JMR	Letter sent November 19, 2008
P200900303	Delores	Straub	Independence	MO	I am very much upset that Raytown Water Company which is my water supplier, is asking for such a large increase (15.69%). I have been retired for 21 years and my income is just a little more than it was when I first retired. I,too, could use additional revenue to pay increased costs. I would like to tell Raytown Water Co. to live with what they`ve got!	JMR	Letter sent October 27, 2008
P200900291	Steven	Vanderlinden	Raytown	MO	I seriously doubt that the cost of doing business for the Raytown Water Company has risen by over 15%. My income has not risen by 15%, and I feel that the increase requested is excessive. I would request that the Commission deny the rate request.	JMR	Letter sent October 27, 2008