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214 Groton Street (Riverside Estates, Taney County) Hollister, Missouri 65672

Missouri Public Service Commission

My name is Herbert Sisco a resident of Riverside Estates in Taney County. I have been a home owner in this subdivision since November, 1987.

I can understand the motive for the Missouri-American Water Company's request for a rate increase. However, I do have opposition to it as follows:

- A. The Riverside Estates Sub-division is a very profitable business for the above company. I would suggest that it should be compared with other districts involved.
- B. The reason that I state the above is based upon the following:
  - 1. When the company purchased the rights to supply water for this sub-division, here is what they received:
    - (a) A well, with a pump, and a free supply of unending water.
    - (b) Water lines already laid no expense for any new ones for new houses.
  - 2. I realize that they paid a price for the business which included these assets. However, as far as I know there was no capital outlay other than the purchase price.

3. Their only operational expense, outside of a well pump, has been the employment of personnel to do maintenance and operate the well (again this has been my personal observation)

I realize that they are entitled to get their investment back and to make a profit and that should be allowed if warranted.

I am opposed to the proposal to consolidate the Company's service areas into special districts for water and wastewater. Since Riverside Estates is not involved in the wastewater, why should we have to pay for those districts that do. Our rates would increase because of the maintenance and materials necessary to keep those districts functioning. I hope that you, the representatives for us, would reject this proposal.

I would also like to propose that an independent auditor be employed to determine if the Company's proposal is warranted.

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