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TO: PUCO  
Attention: Docking Division  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

**PUCO**

RE: Case #07-1112-WS-AIR  
Ohio American Water Company

To Whom It May Concern:

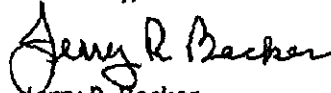
As a resident and homeowner at **5489 Buenos Aires Blvd., Westerville, Ohio 43081** I am writing this letter of protest to the requested rate increase by Ohio American Water Company of 31.86%.

In 2007 I paid almost \$1,000.00 to Ohio American Water Company for water, alone, not including any trash, sewer or storm line service. When compared to the City of Columbus, where similar water only services are between \$30 and \$40.00 a month, the above request borders on the ridiculous.

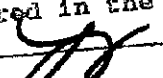
There is no way that the level of service and/or the quality of the water purchased from Ohio American Water Company justifies such an exorbitant rate increase. In today's economy, where it is a struggle to survive, this is just another example of inefficiency of operations within a utility and should not be permitted. If one considers that many entities, such as school systems, MRDD's, etc., are all going to be asking for levy increases, then the burden of increases are almost insurmountable. Thank you.

CC: Honorable Ted Strickland  
Governor's Office  
Riffe Center, 30<sup>th</sup> Floor  
77 South High Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-6108

Sincerely,



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