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ASHTABULA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

FISCAL OFFICER:

Robert S. Dille  
440-993-8351

July 15, 2016

FIRE CHIEF:

Tom Steele  
440-997-4641

Ohio Public Utilities Commission  
Attn: Chairperson / Commission Members  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

ROAD

SUPERINTENDENT:

Jeff Bond  
440-997-9221

RE: Aqua Ohio Incorporated Rate Increase of 9.2% – Ashtabula Township

Dear Chairperson / Commission Members:

CEMETERY

SUPERINTENDENT:

Ken Mauro  
440-997-9551

We, the Ashtabula Township Trustees, passed a motion at our last regularly scheduled meeting held on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 to unanimously oppose the proposed 9.2% increase for Aqua Ohio Incorporated after this increase will reflect a 78% increase in water rates since 2010. Our population base is heavily populated with senior citizens who are on fixed incomes and many individuals who are without work in the existing economy. The residents of Ashtabula Township would be hard pressed to have to absorb another proposed increase. Nonetheless, residents are still trying to catch up with inflation from the past increases in recent years let alone taking on this additional increase.

OFFICE MANAGER/  
ZONING INSPECTOR:

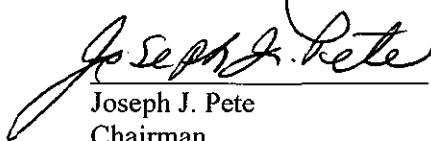
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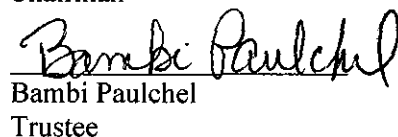
Our board requests that you completely review and evaluate the continuous rate increases and the current economical situation our county is faced with at this time. Please understand the hardship residents are faced with when trying to pay the existing bills that are approximately \$55 to \$80 per month. The increase will only make it worse when attempting to pay these bills.

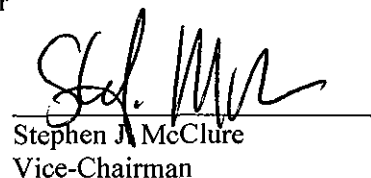
Thank you in advance for your cooperation and consideration on this matter.

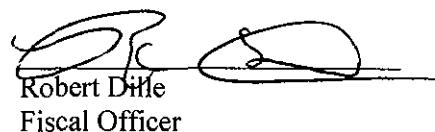
Sincerely,

The Ashtabula Township Trustees and Fiscal Officer

  
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Chairman

  
Bambi Paulchel  
Trustee

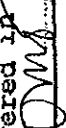
  
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