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PUCO

The Honorable Ted Strickland, Governor of Ohio
Governor's Office, Riffe Center, 30th Floor
77 South High Street
Columbus, OH 43215-6108

Re: Ohio American Water Company rate increase PUCO Case#: 07-1112-WS-AIR

Dear Governor Strickland:

This is to request that you please stop the PUCO from approving yet another rate increase requested by Ohio American Water. OAW obtained approval for a rate increase that was effective in March, 2007. Asking for a rate increase so soon seems excessive. Asking for 26% water and 36% sewer for a combined 32% overall rate increase is excessive, unjust, and gouging.

Our Huber Ridge neighborhood has suffered because of the frequent and excessive rate increases. People move out and cite the water company as one of their main reasons for moving. Residents believe that fighting the water company by petitioning the PUCO is a losing battle. Many feel that OAW (the monopoly) always gets the approval of the government entity (PUCO) that is supposed to represent the consumer as well. When the PUCO does not consider the disparity in rates among companies and keeps nodding to the OAW's rate increases, who can win such a battle? The people who stay feel stuck and gouged by this company. OAW and their predecessor have historically charged nearly three times what surrounding companies (i.e., Columbus and Westerville) charge for the same utilities and services. If any rate increase is approved, especially because it is on the heels of the 2007 rate increase, it will further undermine our neighborhood.

This rate increase request is unfair because rates are already excessive. It is unfair because many residents still have water quality issues. It is unfair because there is such a disparity in rates compared to Westerville and Columbus. It is unfair because we have no choice in our supplier. Will you please stop the PUCO from approving this rate increase, stop the gouging by OAW, end the monopoly, and stop the disparity in rates? Thank you, for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Ronald A. and Pamela J. Clegg

cc: PUCO

enc. Petitions from the Huber Ridge area

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**PETITION FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF HUBER RIDGE, BLENDON TOWNSHIP,
WESTERVILLE, OHIO 43081**

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Attention: Docketing Division
180 E. Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215

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DATE	PRINT NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	SIGNATURE
10/21/07	Doug Babo	3692 Mexico Ave.	882-0149	Douglas A. Babo
10/21/07	Pam Babo	3692 Mexico Ave	882-0149	Camela S. Babo
10/21/07	Andre Babo	3692 Mexico Ave	882-0149	Andrine Babo
10/21/07	THOMAS L. PETERSON	3712 Mexico Ave	882-1371	Thomas L. Peterson
10/21/07	Holly Long	3687 Magnolia Drive	894-9374	Holly Long
10/21/07	Chantelle Trout	3685 Mexico Ave	563-4803	Chantelle Trout
10/21/07	Chris Moringe	3669 Mexico Ave	794-4828 (usually a fax)	Chris Moringe
10/21/07	Colleen Cross	3676 Mexico Ave	716-5544	Colleen Cross
10/21/07	Keith Gibson	3676 Mexico Ave	776-5544	Keith Gibson
10/27/07	Lamar Ross	3682 Mexico Ave	895-3500	Lamar Ross

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DATE	PRINT NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	SIGNATURE
10/26/07	Karen Jones	3675 Mexico Ave	614 948-2024	Karen J Jones
10/26/07	Christa A Banneker	3657 Mexico Ave	614-901-3997	Christa A Banneker
10/26/07	Margaret Kuhn	3701 Mexico Ave	614-818-3464	Margaret Kuhn
10/26/07	Pam Wohlert	3707 Mexico Ave	614-880-2608	Pam Wohlert
10/26/07	Danile Spiess	3708 Mexico Ave	614-948-3393	Danile Spiess
10/26/07	Wile Dixon	3719 Mexico Ave	614-296-5842	Wile Dixon
10/26/07	Marietta Martin	3737 Mexico Ave	614-898-0774	Marietta Martin
10/26/07	Kenneth W. Martin	3737 Mexico Ave	614-898-0774	Kenneth W. Martin
10/26/07	Helen B. Martin	3738 Mexico Ave	614-891-4394	Helen B. Martin
10/26/07	MARIA NENTZER	3765 Mexico	882-0294	Maria Nentzer
10/26/07	John Robison	3766 Mexico	898-0713	John Robison
10/26/07	Nancy Robison	3766 Mexico	898-0713	Nancy Robison

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10/27/07	DAN MILLS	3655 Mexico Ave	614-989-9411	<i>[Signature]</i>
10/27/07	Mary Danner	3655 Mexico Ave	818-3408	Mary Danner
10/27/07	Don P. Ore	3698 Mexico	523-0180	<i>[Signature]</i>
10/27/07	Debbie S. Ore	3698 Mexico	523-0180	Debbie S. Ore
10/27/07	Paul Simmons	3720 Mexico Ave	314-6152	<i>[Signature]</i>
10/27/07	Amy Simmons	3720 Mexico Ave	439-44707	Amy Simmons
10/27/07	Jason Zuber	3757 Mexico Ave	989-8476	<i>[Signature]</i>
10/27/07	Justin Spangler	3743 Mexico Ave	614-378-1711	<i>[Signature]</i>
10/27/07	Anthony Tetlow	3789 Mexico Ave	882-9546	<i>[Signature]</i>
10/27/07	Julie Barker	3795 Mexico Ave	823-4893	Julie Barker
10/27/07	Ram Gavan	3792 Mexico Ave	845-0251	Ram Gavan

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10/16/07	Lucinda Shurelts	3601 Makassar	899-2552	Lucinda Shurelts
10/16/07	Claudia Carney	3534 MAKASSAR	7940927	Claudia A. Carney
10/16/07	Lou Ellen Dunbar	5455 Acapulco Place	882-0576	Lou Ellen Dunbar
10/16/07	BRIAN McMAHON	3473 Denney Road	891-5312	Brian McMahon
10/16/07	Deborah Candow	6101 Batavia Road	794-3039	Deborah Candow
10-16-07	Dorothy Crawford	3723 Paris Blvd E	882-8243	Dorothy Crawford
10-16-07	TERRY L. WARD	5461 MONACO PL	890-3800	Terry L. Ward

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10/16/07	Minda March	Westerville, OH 43081 3505 Danilgreen Dr	614-503-3184	Minda March
10/16/07	RAMA JONES	3693 Mexico Ave	890-8215	Rama Jones
10-16-07	Mary Hammar	3086 Mexico Ave	948-3948	Mary Hammar
10-16-07	Marjorie Obrist	5436 Acapulco Pl.	614-891-6944	Marjorie Obrist
10-16-07	Loretta Mann	3510 Rancon Dr.	882-3795	Loretta L. Mann
10-16-07	Ralph E. Barrnell	5625 Madrid Dr	882-5298	Ralph E. Barrnell
10-16-07	Eva McMahon	3473 Dempsey Rd	614.891.5312	Eva McMahon
10-16-07	ELIZABETH WARD	5461 Acapulco Pl	890-3800	Elizabeth Ward