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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Docketing Division RE: Case# 07-1112-WS-AIR 180 E. Broad Street, 13th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Dear Public Utilities Commission,

Our family lives in the Darby Estates area and our water company is Ohio American Water. Ohio American Water has been steadily increasing their rates for water and sewage since we've moved here in 1997. Our bill for a family of four runs around \$80.00 per month. This is an extremely high rate compared to the price people pay in other areas of Columbus.

With Ohio American Water's rate, our family is force to limit our showers to 2-3 days, not each day. We are forced to flush the toilet only after many uses. Each time our water is running we think of dollar signs. Even with conserving water like this, our bill still runs \$80.00 per month. We shouldn't have to live this way.

We are writing this letter today to notify you that we are against the rate increase that Ohio American Water is requesting. If the water and sewage rates increase, and the gas prices increase, we may be forced to foreclose on our home. Please include this letter to be docketed in the case file.

Sincerely,

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May 19, 2008

Re: 07-1112-WS-AIR

Dear Gentlemen:

I am writing this letter after receiving my copy of The Blendon Township Bulletin. I am a senior citizen living on a fixed income and every money issue is important to me as well as the other senior citizens. While the break on our property taxes was appreciated and the "stimulus", which was a one-shot drop-in-the-bucket, was welcome the proposed water rate increase is something that will cause hardships on many budgets. The dramatic increase in the cost of gasoline hurts our wallets both at the pumps it also hits hard when shopping for food. I live alone and since I do all the shopping I can see where the price of everything has risen dramatically and there is no end in sight. The proposed rate increase will just be an additional hardship. Please consider the many senior citizens this will affect.

Thank you for reading my letter.

Sincerely yours,

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JOHN C. SHEPPARD

CC: Governor Ted Strickland