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To whom it may concern:

I am writing concerning the proposed rate increase by Ohio American Water (PUCO Case Number 1112-WA-AIR. As a resident of West Point Subdivision in Galloway, OH and a consumer of Ohio American Water, I am writing to strongly voice my non-support of this rate increase.

Currently the water rates in this area are higher than those residents who live in nearby Columbus, OH. Following are my payments for water and sewer service over the past few months:

Feb. 2008 \$53.76 Mar. 2008 \$53.76 Apr. 2008 \$33.39 May 2008 \$43.92

These payments for four months are more than a resident of Columbus, Ohio pays in the average year. It should be noted that I am a single resident of this address and pay these types of rates. I shudder to think what my neighbor a married couple with four young children pay per month!! My other neighbors are an elderly couple on a fixed income, again I feel they would have a difficult time making payments if the water increase takes effect.

In the summer months I am unable to water my lawn, wash my vehicles, or water my plants for the fear that my water bill would spike to over \$100 per month. When I first moved to this residence in 1998, I watered my lawn for a month and my water bill was approximately \$175 per month.

In conclusion, I strongly request that you take all efforts in your power to stop this rate increase as proposed at this time. I understand updates to equipment may be required but not at this cost.

Thank you,

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