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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Post Office Box 3265 Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Dear Secretary Chiavetta,

I am writing to request a public hearing to be held in my district regarding Aqua, Pennsylvania's request for a rate increase.

Hundreds of constituents have contacted my office expressing strong opposition to Aqua's request. Many of our residents are seniors living on fixed incomes and a number of individuals are still recovering, financially, from the impact of the pandemic. Aqua's untimely request for a significant rate increase, for this basic necessity, places many residents in a financially stressful situation.

This request is particularly concerning to a large number of households in the district that received an increase in their wastewater rates as recently as last year due to a wastewater utility sale.

I hope you will seriously consider allowing residents of the 158th the opportunity to comment and express their concerns at a public hearing. If you would care to discuss this request, please do not hesitate to call me at 484-200-8264 or reach me via email at repsappey@pahouse.net.

All the best. Mishina D. Supper

Christina D. Sappey PA State Representative

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CC: Pennsylvania Office of Consumer Advocate