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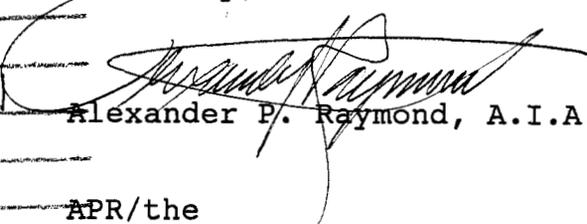
**RE: DOCKET NO. 971065-SU  
APPLICATION OF MID-COUNTY SERVICES  
FOR A RATE INCREASE IN PINELLAS COUNTY**

Dear Public Service Commission Director:

We object to the total rate increase proposal by Mid-County Services, Inc. It appears they are asking for a 34+% increase in each category.

- A) Before the last increase my bi-monthly water/sewer bill was in the \$60 to \$70 range. Presently we are invoiced at around \$110 bi-monthly.
- B) The reasons for the last increase were numerous, but basically to encourage the consumer to conserve on water usage by increasing the rates to them.
- C) The proposed rate increase is extremely inflationary and will place a strain on family budgets. Where do we go to get an increase in wages when corporations continue to downsize to save money?
- D) The proposed increase appears greedy .

ACK \_\_\_\_\_ We ask the Public Service Commission to be on the consumer side of  
 AFA \_\_\_\_\_ this issue and scrutinize their (Mid-County Services, Inc.)  
 APP \_\_\_\_\_ bookkeeping, expenses, methods of operation, and salaries of all  
 CAF \_\_\_\_\_ employees before allowing this outrageous request to be granted.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Perhaps then, you will find a much less need for a rate increase.

CMU \_\_\_\_\_  
 CTR \_\_\_\_\_ Sincerely,  
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 LEG \_\_\_\_\_ Alexander P. Raymond, A.I.A.  
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