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Division of Consumer Affairs

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Gentlemen:

I have received a notice from Sunshine Utilities, Belleview, FL to increase the water rate by 1.0614 % to customers in Ponderosa Pines area of Marion County. These customers were originally the Community Water Co-OP, Inc. We were told when Sunshine would take over our system, we would be charged a flat \$7.90 per month, whether or not we would be in residence, plus an additional amount for garbage used while in residence.

Our first bill Nov. 2002, was for \$15. and it has remained flat each month.

Now 8 months later Sunshine is going to ask

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for more.

What happened to the \$7.90 per month in November? How can an increase be justified within the first year of operation?

May I remind this Commission that the entire water system was given Sunshine along with all customers on line at that time.

To my knowledge I do not believe the Co-op was paid one red cent for anything.

These are the facts as heard from the then President of the Co-op.

Therefore I question the increase submitted to you, the FPBC, on April 28, 2003.

Sincerely yours,

Richard D. Lehn

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cc Sunshine Utilities

