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Brian Schultz

From: Angie Calhoun

Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2020 4:17 PM

To: Consumer Correspondence

Cc: Diana Vizcarrondo

Subject: FW: To CLK Docket 20200139

Attachments: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER 182306; E-Form Other Complaint

TRACKING NUMBER 182305

Consumer correspondence for docket 20200139.

Angela Calhoun

Brian Schultz

From: consumerComplaint@psc.state.fl.us

Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2020 3:26 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 182306

CUSTOMER INFORMATION Name: Anne-Marie Pearson

Telephone: Email:

Address: 264 W. Sabal Palm PL Longwood FL 32779

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Business Account Name: Anne-Marie Pearson Account Number: 0116800000

Address: 264 W. Sabal Palm PL Longwood FL 32779

Water County Selected: Seminole

COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details:

I am concerned with the constant increases in our water and wastewater charges from this company. I am a board member of the COA for our condo association and for the past three years have had to increase our assessments due to the significant increases in the cost of water. While I absolutely understand that increases are natural the constant and significant size of the increases is not at all reasonable. I am sure there are a variety of factors necessitating an increase - maybe failure of equipment, depleting resources and desire to increase profits. However, these things are to be done slowly and over time. You are hurting your citizens. In my community in particular there are a high number of older citizens living on a fixed income, single parent households and self employed individuals. Our per homeowner cost has increased by over \$40/month - or over \$480/year. For someone living on a tight budget this could be devastating. And now you want another increase? To add insult to injury you are asking for an increase during a pandemic, when people are waiting in food lines for hours to get a small box of food. Despicable. This company should be denied this request and they should spend the year looking at their own budget and figuring out where they are going wrong rather than just holding their hand out to citizens who have NO other option for an essential resource. We cannot go without water and we cannot pick a competitor. As a reminder the PSC represents the citizens. I am not asking you to "have a heart" I am asking you to look at this from a business perspective - if Utilities Inc can't seem to function on their current rates (which have increased each year of late) then they are the problem. Don't penalize your citizens for poor their business decisions. Thank you for your time.

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From: consumerComplaint@psc.state.fl.us

Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2020 3:24 PM

To: Consumer Contact

Subject: E-Form Other Complaint TRACKING NUMBER: 182305

CUSTOMER INFORMATION Name: Anne-Marie Pearson

Telephone: Email:

Address: 264 W. Sabal Palm Place Longwood FL 01168

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Business Account Name: San Marcos Villas Account Number: 0116800000

Address: 302 W. Sabal Palm Place Longwood FL 40480

Water County Selected: Seminole

COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Complaint: Other Complaint against Utilities, Inc. of Florida

Details:

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