

**Tristan Davis**

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**From:** Tristan Davis on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 8:14 AM  
**To:** 'Stacee Shepard'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: DOCKET NO. 20250108-WS

Good Morning,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20250108, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance.

Thank you!

**Tristan Davis**  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2026 6:20 PM  
**To:** Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
**Subject:** DOCKET NO. 20250108-WS

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing regarding the proposed increase of water rates pertaining to Sunlake Estates Utilities, LLC (Docket No. 20250108-WS) in Lake County anywhere from 70% to 180%

I can only speak for myself but I do not feel an increase of such be placed upon our community. I personally cannot justify such an exorbitant amount which would result in a significant financial burden to me. I am a single retired individual who has saved and budgeted wisely (**at least I thought until NOW!!**)

As stated previously I cannot comprehend such an increase especially since Social Security benefits increased by 2.8%. I could understand annual increases for water and wastewater rates ranging from 2% to 3% for **stable, well-managed systems**. There have been numerous water main breaks throughout the year and years past. For me and others in the community to cover infrastructure

maintenance or major projects of the magnitude projected is totally unacceptable. I could see a hike of possible 9% to 20% would be considered more acceptable.

I find the timeframe in which the notice submitted unsatisfactory (less than 30 days). If said increase takes hold together with the unreasonable lease and pass through tax increase this will place a significant hardship for myself and many.

I can only assume if there is a lack of consideration it just proves to me that the **RICH GET RICHER** and don't care for those of us that have worked hard for our money.

Thanking you for your consideration regarding this matter.  
Stacey J. Shepard