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Sent: Thursday, January 02, 2020 9:33 AM **To:** Commissioner Correspondence

Subject:Docket 20190071-WS Letter from Judy & Lennie LyonsAttachments:Docket 20190071-WS Letter from Judy & Lennie Lyons.pdf

Good morning,

Please place the attached letter in Docket 20190071-WS.

Thank you,

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Ref: Docket No. 20190071-WS

Application for increase in water rates in Polk County by: Deer Creek RV Golf & Country Club, Inc.

Dear Chairman Graham and Commissioners Mr. Clark, Ms. Brown, Mr. Polmann, Mr. Fay

We moved into Deer Creek RV Country Club in 2004, at the time Regal Point community was opening. At that time our maintenance fees were \$107 a month, and our monthly water bill averaged \$18.00. Under the proposed plan it would be approximately \$25.00 during the months when we don't use a drop. Since the new ownership of Deer Creek our maintenance fees have increased to \$253.25. An increase of 236%.

The community we live in is a 55+ community. The majority of the residents of the community live on a fixed income and this increase will be a great harm to them. Personally, I had a loss of income of \$30 a month for 2020 because of an increase in my medical insurance. Now they are asking for a 130% increase in water/sewer rates. Are we to make a choice between food or medicine or water?

It isn't a matter of moving to a less expensive location. In Deer Creek RV Golf & Country Club, Inc. you own your property. But with water bills and maintenance fees at these rates our property values will fall like a rock, leaving an unaffordable place to live.

Please, before you vote on this increase think how you would vote if you or you had a family member living here. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Judy and Lennie Lyons

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