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Subject: Comment acknowledgement

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Case: RES-W-04-1
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Company: Resort Water Co. Inc.
mailing_list_yes no: yes

Comment_description: I protest the increase from 33.00 to 61.96 per month. I own a condo at Schweitzer Mtn.. I believe they should get some type of increase but if they have been spending since they purchased Resort Water they should have been applying for increases as they improved the system. I believe you stated you are investigating to see if 500,000.00 in improvements were made. In their filing they also stated they will need another increase after the new water tank is completed. I understand they need the new tank for further expansion to comply with fire regulations. They have also increased other cost for services and I believe it is because of poor management decisions in the past and now they are trying to correct those at our expense. If we (existing customers) are not paying our fair share than I expect you to act accordingly but I do not want to pay for their expansion.

Thank you Patrick Thomas

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Comment description: This is in regard to the water utility rate of 88% that Resort Water Co. of Schweitzer Mt. Resort is proposing. I made a rough calculation of water reserves needed to meet just the firefighting capabilities of the Village structures (Selkirk Lodge, Headquarters Lodge, The Day Lodge, White Pines) and two condominium developments in the Crystal Springs subdivision that do not meet existing coverage under the present storage capacity (Highlands, and Copper Ridge Condominiums). In order to comply with firefighting capability the above structures would need about 470,000 gallons of water storage added to what exists now. Actual water storage reserve figures can be obtained from Schweitzer Mt. Fire District Officials, they declined to relay the data to me. This is part of Resort Water Co's proposal, to add a 500,000 gallon storage facility. Current residential water usage is being met with existing storage, it is service for firefighting that needs to be brought into compliance. It appears that if Bonner County Planning and Schweitzer Mt Resort did not initially comply with fire ordinances for developments, why should property owners be required to foot the bill? An increase of rates for residential consumption in the 5 to 8% region is more in line. Subsidizing local government and Schweitzer Resort over their lack of vision is not fair to property owners. An 88% increase in water rates for infrastructure improvements that was viewed a unimportant earlier by Bonner County Planning and Schweitzer Resort just to get developments on line, should fall into bonding or federal grant programs. I urge you to take a close look at the real need for such a high increase of rates, and not penalize property owners to subsidize infrastructure oversights.

Yours truly,
Dan Hurley

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