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**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** pattymcewen@msn.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 25, 2007 6:59 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment/Inquiry Form

A Comment from Patty McEwen follows:

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Case Number: SPL-W-06-01  
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Name of Utility Company: Spirit Lake East Water Co  
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your question or comment briefly:

Re: Increase of consumption rates

The SLE Water Co. has not provided adequate back up during power outages. The generator they finally installed only pumps what is in the reservoir tank. We did not receive any water during the last power outage. The generator needs to be big enough to pump water from the source. The water lines are extremely old (original to the development) and will soon need to be replaced. My understanding is the water company has no emergency fund established to take care of anything. What have they been doing with the money since inception? No upgrades have been performed. Until the water company has established a fund for emergencies the consumption rate should not be raised.

Re: Proposed Connection Fee

If \$2500 is the actual cost (and I would hope the puc is verifying that) then that should be the charge to new customers.

Please contact me any time.

Patty McEwen

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>  
IP address is 71.161.11.218

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