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Jean Jewell

From: Jean Jewell
Sent: Monday, May 02, 2005 9:33 AM
To: Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: case UWI-w-04-4

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> From: Dick & Judy Rogers[SMTP:RJ_ROGERS@NETZERO.NET]
> Sent: Friday, April 29, 2005 11:59:56 AM
> To: secretary
> Subject: Fw: case UWI-w-04-4
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I am forwarding an email I sent to Gene Fadness of your office and now I am sending it to be part of the public comments with respect to the proposed rate increase.

Dick Rogers

----- Original Message -----

From: "Dick & Judy Rogers" <rj_rogers@netzero.net>
To: "Gene Fadness" <Gene.Fadness@puc.idaho.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2005 6:48 AM
Subject: Re: Your query to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission

> Gene
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> Thanks for the information and I fully understand the information about
> sharing the cost and how the supreme court has ruled. However United
> Water is a lot different system today as compared to when the supreme
> court ruled. When the court ruled United water served customers here in
> Boise and the entire system was tied together via several pressure zones.
> I do not think the supreme court ruling would apply today as United water
> as acquired over the last several years several water systems in Ada and
> Canyon counties and they are not connected to the primary Boise service
> area. I really don't think the supreme court would say the residents of
> Boise should share in the costs for upgrading a system in Eagle, Canyon
> county, or Lexington Hills.
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> I don't think it is fair or appropriate for customers in the Boise service
> area sharing costs associated with these satellite systems. A lot of the
> systems they have acquired were in poor shape and in desperate need of
> repair and renovation to meet today's standards. Some of the systems
> probably didn't meet minimum standards when they were constructed over 30
> years ago. The people living in these substandard systems should bear the
> costs of all upgrades. The money United water paid for these systems
> should have been used to pay for upgrades hopefully it did.
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> Gene, in closing I think you should know that my comments are derived from
> my 28 years of work experience at DEQ as a PE working in the public water
> supply program
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> Thanks
> Dick