

06.15.2015

To: Idaho Public Utilities Commission

From: Richard Detton

Dear Sirs: I do understand the importance of H₂O to all these citizens of Boise. We can't live a normal life with it!!!

Nonetheless, a 13.2% increase is outrageous to say the least. It appears that the admin of United Water is looking for a big raise - United Water always needs to be improving its system and service. A COLA might be fair. I didn't get a COLA or any other raise this year. Please consider the effects such a gigantic raise will have on those of us who must bear this increased burden!!



Re: Notice of Application to Increase Rates

maybe if they can show just cause only.

No on their requested increase COLA

Sincerely
Richard P. Detton
208-957-6525

Dear Customer:

On May 21, 2015, United Water Idaho filed for rate relief with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (IPUC) requesting a \$4.22 per month or 14 cents per day increase in rates for a typical residential customer. The proposed increase, if approved by the IPUC, would raise the average residential customer's annual bill approximately \$50, from \$383.99 to \$434.61. United Water was last granted a two-phase rate increase in January of 2012.

United Water Idaho has invested more than \$39 million in its system since the utility's last rate filing. Those investments have improved water quality, reliability, and service for many United Water Idaho customers. Projects include replacement of aging water mains, services and meters, replacement treatment projects, a new storage tank to sustain pressure and improve fire protection in the Bogus Basin Road area, a new main to improve water pressure above Hill Road, and auxiliary power at numerous sites throughout our water system to ensure uninterrupted water supply during electrical power outages.

The rate request also reflects increases in operating costs since the last rate case, including increases in energy costs, personnel, including benefits, and depreciation expenses resulting from increased infrastructure investments.

In its application United Water is proposing a revenue increase of \$5,881,308 which represents an overall increase in rates of 13.2%. The proposed increase will be applied at the same rate for customers in all classes; residential, commercial, public authority and private fire service customers.

The proposed increase in rates is subject to review, public comment, and a decision by the IPUC, which may accept, modify or reject in whole or in part the proposed increase. A complete copy of the proposal is available at the Company's office at 8248 W. Victory Road, Boise, Idaho and at the Commission's office at 472 W. Washington, Boise, Idaho. It is also available on-line at the IPUC website: <http://www.puc.idaho.gov>, by following the links for "Water" and "Open Water Cases," and at United Water Idaho's website: <http://www.unitedwater.com/idaho>.

Customers also may subscribe to the IPUC's RSS feed to receive periodic updates via e-mail about the case.

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Name of Utility Company: United Water
Acknowledge public record: True

Comment: To IPUC Comments Reader: Why on earth would you want your water bill to increase??????? Instead of United Water wanting more money, why not learn to operate with with the budget we all have to pay.

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