## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Indian Hills Utility Operating	)	
Company, Inc.'s Request for an Increase	)	WR-2017-0259

## **NOTICE OF COMMUNICATION**

Issue Date: May 10, 2017

This notice is being filed on behalf of the Commissioners at the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) who received the attached email correspondence regarding the above referenced case.

The Commission has promulgated rules denoted as the "Standards of Conduct" at 4 CSR 240-4.010 and 4.020. Section 4 CSR 240-4.20 specifically deals with Ex Parte and Extra-Record Communication Rules. This notice is filed in conformance with the rule.

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Amy E. Moore Advisor to Chairman Hall

Alex Antal

Advisor to Commissioner Rupp

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri On this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017

## Ziegler, Erica

From:

Hall, Daniel

Sent:

Tuesday, May 09, 2017 8:21 PM

To:

Ziegler, Erica; Moore, Amy

Subject:

Fwd: Please Decline Indian Hills Utility Operating Company - Price Increase -

WR-2017-0259

## Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: matt spencer

Date: May 9, 2017 at 7:53:09 PM CDT

Subject: Please Decline Indian Hills Utility Operating Company - Price Increase - WR-2017-0259

Hello,

My name is Matt Spencer. I own the house at 590 Lakeside Drive - Cuba, MO 65453.

My water bill has been about \$11 per cycle for several years. I have been pleased with my water bill.

I received notification that there has been a proposal submitted by Indian Hills Utility Operating Company that will increase the monthly rate to \$84.21 per month. Is that accurate?!? ... Wow!

This will go from my least expensive utility to my most expensive utility in one cycle!?!

It seems like it should not be legal for a water company to drastically increase the cost since property owners do not have any alternative to the water company that has a monopoly.

Is there some type of consumer protection that prevents such an abrupt and inflated utility price increase?

What can i do to have a say in this matter?

I am OK with a price increase from \$11 per month to a slightly higher monthly rate. I am NOT approving a price increase of 779%.

Please decline the application proposed by Indian Hills Utility Operating Company.

Thank you,

Matt Spencer



