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Utah Public Service Commission  
Heber M. Wells Building  
160 East 300 South  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

**Re: Mountain Sewer, Docket No. 11-097-03**

Dear Sir or Madame:

I am an owner of Lakeside Village Unit No. 64 located in Huntsville, Utah and write to protest Mountain Sewer's special assessment and interim rate increase for its customers. It appears that Mountain Sewer is attempting to re-coup funds with a special assessment that should have been paid by the prior owner of Mountain Sewer. It is my position that it is unfair and unjust for Mountain Sewer to attempt to pass on to its customers fees that should have been paid by Mountain Sewer.

Specifically, Mountain Sewer is requesting essentially a 159.4% increase in sewer fees to be effective in forty-five days as an interim rate increase. As I understand it, Mountain Sewers has requested substantial and unfair increases in Single Connection Fees and a special assessment of \$1,300 from each customer for "costs incurred." It is my understanding that Mountain Sewer has requested *new* charges for non-connected lots, *new* hook-up fees, and *new* turn on fees.

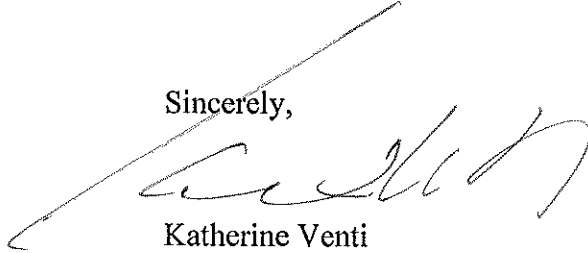
Although a reasonable increase in existing rates for Mountain Sewer may be warranted given the new ownership, the requested increase and new fees is outrageous, unfair to property owners, and an improper attempt to re-coup funds that were lost to Mountain Sewer due to its own poor business practices. Customers should not have to carry that burden.

In addition, I oppose Mountain Sewer's request that customers pay for the any legal fees related to the sale of the utility and/or the formal complaint filed in this matter. All of the service problems set forth in the Formal Complaint have been validated. Rate payers and customers should not be held responsible for Mountain Sewer's legal fees in defense of a valid claim.

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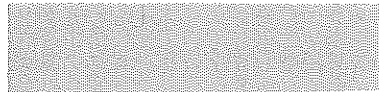
Accordingly, please deny Mountain Sewer's request for an increase in fees, its request for new charges, and its request for reimbursement of legal fees.

Sincerely,

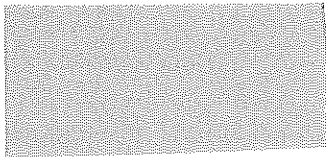
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Katherine Venti

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Owner:

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