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Dear Cedar Ridge Water Users,

Knowing that Tremonton City was to take over our well on Dec. 1, 2010, I called Paul Fulgham, their water manager, to ask how much water we used and what that meant our payments should be for December. He said they didn't take over the system until Dec. 10th, because they were still tinkering with things, but that from that day until Dec 31st, our usage was 5X what it should be. That means the Cedar Ridge system has a substantial leak (or perhaps multiple leaks)--probably in a main. He has arranged for a rural water agency (or something like that) to come and try to help locate the leak, which they will do free of charge. (But they come only when they can--not necessarily when they are needed). If that doesn't work a commercial company will have to be hired, which is expensive. Mr. Fulgham didn't say who would have to pay for that and I didn't dare ask. The Cedar Ridge pipes are under the snow right now so that makes things more difficult, but he said they will do their best. He also suggested that all of us listen for any leaks in our individual homes/properties and fix problems such as leaking toilets. So...I'm passing that information on, not because I hold any position in the company, I don't. I just thought you'd want to know. Some months ago I gathered many (but not all) of your e-mail addresses so that's what I'm using.

It's no secret that the last water meeting held was a painful disaster. It's been nice to shelf the matter and try to give relationships time to heal, but we have to come back to the table sometime. And I think it ought to be soon.

I'm certainly not the best informed, but as I understand it there are two ways a small water company can operate legally in Utah:

- 1) as a public utility---licensed by the state, (wherein operations are monitored and rates pre-approved, etc),
- 2) as a mutually-owned water company (with by-laws that give shareholders voting rights and a say in what goes on).

It seems the Cedar Ridge Water Company is neither of these. David was never issued a license to operate a public utility and his request for an exemption, (so that Cedar Ridge could be a mutually-owned company) was denied. All these years, therefore, the company status has been in limbo. Recently the State of Utah called on David to attend a hearing (Feb. 2) to straighten things out. If, as he said earlier, he intends to turn the company over to us--and if that's what he's planning to tell the state--it seems to me WE ought to know that and understand what it entails.

I hope this is information you want to have.

Barbara Anderson