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From: Brian Schultz on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 8:48 AM
To: 'Don'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Docket No 20190080-WS,Aquarina Utilities Inc.

Good Morning,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20190080-WS and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

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From: Don <donschwinn@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, April 12, 2020 8:36 PM
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>
Subject: Docket No 20190080-WS,Aquarina Utilities Inc.

I am a property owner and Florida resident living in Aquarina, the community served by Aquarina Utilities.

My comments relate to the exorbitant salaries that are shown in the utility's 2019 Annual Report. Presumably these salaries are at least as high in the proposed 2020 rate increase structure. **I am complaining that these salaries are excessive and that the PSC should audit employee actual payments and time charges before approving the proposed potable water rate increase.**

In the utility's 2019 Annual Report to the PSC the total salaries for potable water, non-potable water, and wastewater were \$265,044. This is 47% of the reported expenses of \$567,591. Kevin and Holly Burge, the owners, do not take income as owners but do employ themselves as operators who seem to spend little time on site.

Kevin Burge has separate income of \$40,000 as Director of Utilities of the City of Fellsmere(see link below) for 30 hours per week. He is responsible for water and wastewater management for a community of 5000 persons. Aquarina's population is less than 1000. Thus it is questionable how much time he can spend at

