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July 22,1998

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FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION 2540 SHUMARD OAK BLVD. RM. 148, BETTY EASLEY CONFERENCE CENTER TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-0850

RE: OBJECTION TO INCREASE RATES BY FLA. CIT-IES WATER CO.

FROM A CONSUMERS POSITION THE PRESENT RATES ARE ABUSIVE IN THIS MOBILE HOME COMMUNITY OF SENIORS ON FIXED INCOMES AND ALSO ABUSIVE FOR OTHER LESS FINANCIALLY RESTRICTED RESIDENTS.

A LISTING OF MY LAST 7 MONTHLY BILLS ARE:

6/09/98	\$73.76
5/11/98	51.69
4/09/98	51.69
3/10/98	30.24
2/10/98	44.54
1/12/98	44.54
12/09/97	65.99

AVERGING \$51.77 A MONTH FOR A SINGLE, 74 YEAR OLD PERSON LIVING ALONE! THE DUPLICATE AMOUNTS ARE VERY CONFUSING TO ME (THE SAME TO THE PENNY) AND AN INCIDENT WITH MY NEICHBOR FURTHER MUDDIED THE PICTURE. DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THE 6/09/98 BILL I WAS AT HOME, HAD TWO GUESTS FOR A WEEK, WATERED MY LAWN (ON THE SMALLEST PLOT IN BAREFOOT BAY) 3 OR 4 TIMES. MY NEIGHBOR ALSO LIVES ALONE, SHE DID NOT HAVE GUESTS NOR WATER HER LAWN, SHE WAS AS A MATTER OF FACT OUT OF TOWN FOR 10 DAYS! UPON INQUIRY AT THE COMPANY HERE WE WERE TOLD WE HAD USED 6000 GALLONS OF WATER NO MATTER THE INCONSTANT CIRCUMSTANCES. HER BILL FOR THE SAME PERIOD WAS THE SAME AS

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MINE TO THE PENNY.

NO ONE SHOULD HAVE SUCH EXORBITANT WATER BILLS. PLEASE CHECK OUT THIS COMPANY, THEY SCARE ME!

BAREFOOT BAY RESIDENT

I AM NOT SIGNING MY NAME AND ADDRESS BECAUSE OF THE FEAR OF EVEN HIGHER BILLS IN RETALIATION.