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Hello -

I am contacting you about the proposed Water Department rate increase. At a time of decreased employment, underemployment, and loss of revenue for many of those operating businesses large and small, this rate increase will only increase the struggle of Philadelphians. The preceding rate increases in 2019 and 2020 were under 1.5%, and, more importantly, these increases were stated by the Water Commissioner to be acceptable for meeting the needs of the Department, and its challenge of replacing aging infrastructure. Why now is there a need for such a drastic increase? How is this accounted for? Please do not move forward with this plan, which will burden Philadelphians already facing so many challenges.

Sincerely,

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