Steven Liang

From: Dessia Cruz <dessiacruz@ymail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:29 AM

To: WaterRateBoard Subject: Water Rates Hearing

External Email Notice. This email comes from outside of City government. Do not click on links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender.

Good Morning;

My name is Dessia Cruz and would like to participate in being heard for the Public Input Hearing for Wednesday March 22nd 2023 at 6pm.

My comments on this topic is that many of us residents are low income and disabled. We in Philadelphia Pennsylvania shouldn't have to keep worrying about our water bill rising and seeking other programs from another state such as American Water Resource Company to pay them for additional costs of water and sewer lines when Philadelphia Water Department should be helping us in our own city. Raising the utility of those services puts us all at risk in more danger of more shut off notices and debt knowing we have other utilities and expenses to pay; TAP program and Lihwap Program can only cover but so much. We also know the water itself is not as great and healthy as it should be and have to also filter or use spring water for our use.

As a resident and Homeowner being disabled and low income it's just not fair to us including if we have a children in our homes to raise or do anything else with our rates.

Please add me to participate on the day and time listed above and looking forward to speaking for myself and my family and the entire Community of Philadelphia.

Thank you, Dessia Cruz