



Feedback - water rates

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To WaterRateBoard <waterrateboard@Phila.gov>

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Hi, my name is Autumn Thompson and I'm a Philadelphia resident providing feedback on TAP program.

I love this initiative, thank you for helping to ensure all our neighbors have access to water without worry of affordability.

Of course there has been a lot of discussion about data centers, AI and water usage. How are you approaching this? What is the plan to ensure data center usage doesn't disrupt, outprice or endanger residents? Additionally, I strongly feel data centers should pay significantly higher rates, for example to subsidize this TAP program, given they are using water to make a profit instead of just regular life like the rest of us. I suggest a tiered model (rates increase depending on higher usage), but trust your experts will figure it out.

All I know is if you don't push for these considerations now and let AI set the rules, it will be WAY more difficult to address in the future.

Your reply is appreciated!
Thanks!

P.S. I am a data scientist and if you need pro bono analysis, happy to assist.

Respectfully,

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