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I would like to challenge Pennsylvania American Water Co request to almost double the cost of wastewater in Clarion Pa.

I own a small Laundromat in Clarion and have just replaced 4 washers and 20 different slides which determine the amount I can charge per load of wash and drying. These slides cost almost \$80 apiece and can not be replaced again at this time. This amount of increase is an astronomical amount-- I can see an increase when considering the cost of investment in our community but almost double???

As water and waste is one of my largest cost—this will be impossible for me to recoup it—This small Laundromat was on the verge of closing and I decided to give it one last shot to make in work—I raised my rates and bought some new equipment. This has help some but I have a ways to go—now with this possible increase—It will sink this business.

Since this is the only Laundromat in the borough and many if my customers are elderly and and on fixed incomes—I want to encourage the PUC to deny this large increase. Businesses need time to adjust to increases—you just can't double the price of something and expect it not to have an effect.

Sincerely



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