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The Hon. Christopher Christie
Governor, State of New Jersey
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New Jersey Governor-Elect Philip Murphy
State of New Jersey
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WR 17090985

Reference: New Jersey American Water, Inc. – Water and Sewer Rate Increase

Dear Governor Christie and Governor-Elect Murphy:

With regard to the New Jersey American Water Company filing and request for a proposed 17.54% rate increase that would increase their revenues by \$129.3 million dollars, please be aware that The Villages, an age-restricted senior development of 671 homes and more than 1,000 senior citizen residents is absolutely opposed to this proposed rate increase by New Jersey American Water Company.

Any increase in water rates will be a severe hardship to The Villages elderly residents who live on Social Security as their only means of income. At the end of every month, something does not get paid.

Respectfully,

Balthazar Bongiorno - President

The Villages Association Board of Trustees
On Behalf of The Villages Residents

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