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**From:** Easterling, Deborah  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 15, 2016 3:06 PM  
**To:** 'McCreary, Elaine Edda Nina SFC USARMY NG VAARNG (US)'  
**Subject:** RE: Letter of Protest for Proposed HIU Rate increase (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Dear Ms. McCreary,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments has been placed in the Protest File of the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov).

Docket No. 2016-29-WS - Application of Harbor Island Utilities, Incorporated for Approval of a New Schedule of Rates and Charges for Water and Sewer Service on Harbor Island, Beaufort County.

A Protestant is an individual objecting on the ground of private or public interest to the approval of an Application, Petition, Motion or other matters which the Commission may have under consideration. A Protestant may offer sworn testimony but cannot cross-examine witnesses offered by other parties.

According to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filing a Protest does not make you a Party of Record. A Protestant desiring to become an Intervenor (i.e., a Party of Record) in a proceeding before the Commission may file a Petition for Intervention within the time prescribed by the Commission.

If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling  
Executive Assistant  
803-896-5133

-----Original Message-----

**From:** McCreary, Elaine Edda Nina SFC USARMY NG VAARNG (US) [mailto:\_\_\_\_\_  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 15, 2016 2:37 PM  
**To:** PSC\_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>  
**Subject:** Letter of Protest for Proposed HIU Rate increase (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Please see attached.

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**Letter of Protest**  
**in Docket** 2016 - 29 - WS

Date: \* 11/15/2016

**Protestant Information:**

Name \* Elaine McCreary

Mailing Address \*

City\* Chester

State\* VA

Zip \* 23831

Phone \*

E-mail

**1. What is your connection or interest in this case? \* For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)**

Rental Homeowner on Harbor Island and a customer of Harbor Island Utilities (HIU).

Owner of Beach House & Ocean Villa condominium located at:  
2 Harbor Drive N  
Unit L-212  
Saint Helena Island, SC 29920

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**2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. \* (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)**

The proposed 80% increase in the flat fee and the proposed 55% increase in the 'per 1000 gallons' usage fee will almost double the monthly costs for the average homeowner on Harbor Island. HIU is proposing these increases to mitigate their lack of proper preventative maintenance. Of note, the attorney that serves in capacities with Harbor Island Cedar Reef Villas and Beach House & Ocean Villas condos is ALSO the attorney HIU has secured to represent them. This is a clear conflict of interest and not in the best interest of the consumers that will bear the burden of any increase in costs imposed by HIU.

**3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? \***

As I reside and work in the state of Virginia, my schedule will not allow me to be present.