STATE OF TENNESSEE

Hamilton County



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Hamilton County Board of Commissioners RESOLUTION

No. 408-17

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A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING HAMILTON COUNTY'S OPPOSITION TOTAL REQUESTED RATE INCREASE BY THE TENNESSEE AMERICAN WATER COMPANY PRESENTLY PENDING BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY.

WHEREAS,

The Tennessee American Water Company ("TAWC") has petitioned the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") seeking approval for a 20.58% increase in its rates to its customers; and

WHEREAS.

Said request follows TAWC having been granted a 12.2% rate

increase in November, 2006; and

WHEREAS,

This legislative body of Hamilton County feels that such an additional increase at this time would be detrimental to many of

the citizens of Hamilton County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY IN SESSION ASSEMBLED:

That Hamilton County, Tennessee, does hereby express its strong objection and opposition to the request before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority on behalf of the Tennessee American Water Company for a rate increase of 20.58%, and hereby asks the Tennessee Regulatory Authority to hold public hearings within Hamilton County during its consideration of said request, and consider this resolution and reject said petition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION TAKE EFFECT FROM AN AFTER ITS PASSAGE, THE PUBLIC WELFARE REQUIRING IT.

Approved:

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION

Rejected:

Approved:

County Mayor

Vetoed:

April 10, 2008

Date

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Room 201 Courthouse, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402

April 11, 2008

Transmitted by e-mail

Mr. Eddie Roberson, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Attached is Resolution No. 408-17 adopted by the Hamilton County Commission on April 10, 2008. As stated, their resolution opposes the rate increase presently sought by the Tennessee-American Water Company in this area. It is the desire of the Commission and the County Mayor that TRA hearings on this matter be conducted in Hamilton County.

I will appreciate you sharing their action with other members of the Authority.

Best wishes.

Cordially,

William F. (Bill) Knowles

Cc: Members, Hamilton County Commission

County Mayor Claude Ramsey County Attorney Rheubin Taylor