

**TOWNES OF GOVERNORS VILLAGE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.**

C/O Talis Management Group  
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North Carolina Utilities Commission  
4325 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-4325

Dear Sirs:

The Townes of Governors Village Maintenance Association Board of Directors is writing on behalf of our residents with a grave concern about the fairness of the sewer rates charged by Aqua in our neighborhood. We believe that a flat rate charge for our relatively smaller and more densely built homes is unfair to our homeowners. We believe like other sewer utilities across North Carolina and the nation, the rates should be determined in relation to water usage by homeowners.

The current flat rate of ~\$65 is in the range of 50% to 65% higher than a comparable rate by a Chatham County provider. We can do further studies of our neighborhood water usage to support our case, but these townhomes would likely not be using 5,000 gallons of water per month.

<b>Monthly usage</b>	<b>Chatham Co.</b>	<b>Aqua NC</b>	<b>% higher</b>
1,000 gallons	23.00	65.07	64%
2,500 gallons	35.00	65.07	46%
5,000 gallons	65.00	65.07	0.1%

We ask the commission to consider

1. Adjusting the way Aqua is billing their customers currently from a flat rate to a % of water usage and
2. Avoiding any additional rate increase as the current flat rate is already causing our residents higher than normal utility charges versus other communities in the area.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors  
Townes of Governors Village Maintenance Association, Inc