

**REQUIREMENTS OF A WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT
RATE PROTEST AS SET OUT IN NMPUC RULE 810**

1. Contents of the protest must be in writing and shall be signed by each of the taxpayer-electors submitting the protest.
2. The protest shall contain the name of the Water and Sanitation District (District) and identification of the rate being protested.
3. The protest shall contain the name, mailing address, and phone number of each taxpayer-elector.
4. The protest shall contain the name, mailing address, and phone number of each taxpayer-elector's attorney, if any.
5. The protestors may use forms provided by the Public Utility Commission.
6. Protestants are strongly encouraged, but not required to file a statement or statements of their reasons for protesting the proposed rates as well as any data, exhibits, illustrations, prepared testimony, or written argument which is pertinent to the protest and which may aid the Commission in its review and hearing.
7. The protestants shall serve copies of the protest and any accompanying documents on the District whose rates are being protested.
8. A certificate of service stating the date and manner of mailing or delivery must be included in or attached to the protest when it is filed with the Commission.
9. The protestant must file an original plus ten (10) copies of the protest and any accompanying documents with the Commission unless the Commission directs otherwise.
10. If the protest is submitted to the Commission before the District has filed the new rates, the protest will be considered filed as of the date of the District's rate filing.
11. No response to the protest filed with the Commission is permitted by the District unless the Commission or presiding officer allows it.

PROTEST Form
Water Sanitation
District

12. The District whose rates are being protested may challenge the validity of this protest within thirty (30) days of the filing of the protest.

13. If the protest is challenged the Commission or presiding officer may direct the protestants to verify their status as taxpayer-electors of the District or otherwise establish the validity of the protest.

14. If the Commission or presiding officer determines that the protest is invalid, the protest may be dismissed. It is appropriate that the Commission make this determination.

15. If the Commission dismisses the protest, the District's rates may go into effect upon the dismissal of the protest.

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING
OF NEW RATES BY

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) CASE NO. _____
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(Name of Water and Sanitation District)

**P R O T E S T
TO PROPOSED RATE INCREASE**

SUBMITTED BY:

Name of Protestor: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

(Attach the name, mailing address, and telephone number of each protestant.)

ATTORNEY INFORMATION:

Attorney's Name:

Attorney's Address:

Attorney's City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Attorney's Phone: _____

(Attach the name, mailing address, and telephone number of attorney of each protestant.)

I am a customer of the _____
(Name of Water & Sanitation District)

I protest the rates being proposed by the above named District.

I protest the proposed rate(s) affecting the _____ Class
of customers (i.e., residential, commercial, industrial, irrigation, etc.).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the attached protest issued on _____, 19____, was mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the following Water and Sanitation District:

COMPANY _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

(Signature of Protestor)

Dated this _____ day of _____, 19____.