

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

Docket No. UW 166

In the Matter of The application
of Roats Water
System, Inc for a
rate increase.

PETITION TO INTERVENE

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| NAME OF PETITIONER: | <u>William (Bill) Burton, MD</u> |
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| IF THE PETITIONER IS AN ORGANIZATION, THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN AND THE PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION: |
| <u>N/A</u> |

List of Members attached.

NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE PETITIONER'S INTEREST IN THE PROCEEDING:

Attached

THE ISSUES THE PETITIONER INTENDS TO RAISE AT THE PROCEEDING:

Attached

ANY SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE OF THE PETITIONER THAT WOULD ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN RESOLVING THE ISSUES IN THE PROCEEDING:

None

Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, I request to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. I or the organization that I represent will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OAR 860-001-0300.

William G. Barton M.D.
Petitioner or Petitioner's Representative

9-2-2016
Date

INTEREST: I have lived in Woodside Ranch since 1975 and became interested in our water supply when I first heard that Roats Water System wanted to buy the former Juniper Water system that the City of Bend had taken over. This is when we first learned that Roats wanted to increase our storage capacity well beyond its current level. We had been told at an annual HOA meeting by Roats attorney, Neil Bryant, that Woodside well water would not be sent to other new neighborhoods. This past year we were told by Mountain High residents that Roats was going to supply their water instead of the City. Roats would not confirm this. Later when the local newspaper posted a story about the pending approval of the purchase of Juniper's former system and pending rate increases, we were told by Roats that the two things were totally unrelated. I hope to hear specific answers to our concerns.

ISSUES: 1) If Arnold Irrigation could no longer provide irrigation water to the former Juniper Customers, does Roats plan to take potable water from the wells at Woodside Ranch for this purpose

2) Roats keeps giving 3 different storage capacities (250,000,300,000,and 500,000) for a new storage system to be constructed in Woodside Ranch. Also, they told us that a diesel generating system would be installed so that we would not lose pressure in a power outage, which frequently happens in a wild fire. The costs of neither of these items have been listed with those that would be paid for by both the old and new Roats' customers.

SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE: 2 – 3 years of articles and letters substantiating the above concerns do to a lack of transparency

William G. Beaton MD

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