

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON

Docket No. UW 166

In the Matter of
ROATS WATER SYSTEM, INC.
REQUEST FOR A GENERAL RATE REVISION

PETITION TO INTERVENE

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IF THE PETITIONER IS AN ORGANIZATION, THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN AND THE PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION:

List of Members attached.

Nature and Extent of Petitioner's Interest in the Proceeding:

Homeowner for 39 years who is concerned about likely sequential rate increases by Roats Water and water security for Woodside Ranch.

Issues the Petitioner Intends to Raise at the Proceeding:

Further clarification of where the water to supply the Juniper acquisition will come from? In the analysis presented at the first resolution conference, interties were mentioned without clarification of what they are and how they would be used.

If the large reservoir in Deschutes River Woods is a backup, as Roats has informed us, is there already pipe in place to carry water across Hwy 97 to supply Juniper, or would additional infrastructure, not currently budgeted for, be required.

Woodside Ranch has adequate supply and storage at this time. In the analysis, budgeting for a 500,000 gallon storage tank in Woodside Ranch was mentioned with no explanation of why such a huge capacity would be necessary, since Roats has denied using Woodside well water elsewhere. Cost for such Woodside water system improvements are not included in the current massive rate increase request and would lead to further potential significant rate increases to Woodside homeowners. We feel unprotected in this situation.

The water security of the wells in Woodside Ranch is not being addressed if a huge storage tank would allow water to flow elsewhere in SE Bend. If overcapacity is allowed, issues of bacterial overgrowth could be a public health issue. These are important issues to Woodside.

Roats may deny using water from Woodside wells to flow to Juniper or elsewhere, but what safeguards of monitoring this can be given? How would we know that if Roats shares our well water with many other customers that our water safety won't be compromised? Water has been shared in the past.

These are vital issues that Judge Patrick Power directed Roats Water to address with Woodside homeowners, but no clarification was provided and they remain unaddressed.

Any Special Knowledge or Expertise:

Retired physician who has followed water issues concerning Woodside Ranch for many years and has informed Woodside residents of data on our water system and reports made to the State of Oregon.

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.

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Petitioner or Petitioner's Representative

8/24/16

Date