

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF CHRISTI WATER SYSTEM,  
INC., FOR AN INCREASE IN RATES  
AND CHARGES,

Applicant,

Case No.

24-798-WW-AIR

PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: Monday, April 28, 2025

TIME: 6:04 p.m.

BEFORE: Honorable Jay Agranoff

Honorable Ian Kieffer

LOCATION: City of Defiance City Council

631 Perry Street

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P R O C E E D I N G S

JUDGE AGRANOFF: The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has scheduled for public hearing at this time and place. Case number 24-798-WW-AIR, which is captioned in the matter of the application of Christi Water System, Incorporated for an increase in rates and charges.

My name is Jay Agranoff. With me is Ian Kieffer, and we are the administrative law judges assigned by the commission to hear this case. Also with us this evening is Erin Biehl in the back. She is with our public affairs office, and she will be assisting us with signing in witnesses and answering any questions that you may have.

At this time, I will take the appearances on behalf of the parties on behalf of the Christi Water System, Incorporated.

MR. BEILHARZ: Kent Beilharz, vice president.

THE REPORTER: I'm sorry. What was your name again, sir?

MR. BEILHARZ: Kent Beilharz.

THE REPORTER: Can you spell the last?

MR. BEILHARZ: B as in boy,  
E-I-L-H-A-R, Z as in zebra.

1 THE REPORTER: Thank you very, very  
2 much.

3 JUDGE AGRANOFF: And on behalf of the  
4 Ohio Consumers' Counsel?

5 MR. KRAL: Thank you, Your Honors. My  
6 name is Don Kral -- assistant consumers' counsel on  
7 behalf of Maureen Willis, Consumers' Counsel -- of the  
8 Ohio Office of the Consumers' Counsel at 65 East State  
9 Street, Columbus, Ohio, Suite 700, 43215.

10 And for those who don't know the Office  
11 of Consumers' Counsel, also with me is Keegan Fay with  
12 the OCC Public Affairs Department. And Keegan has  
13 brought some flyers along, which I think he's handed  
14 out, on the rate increase. We're a state agency  
15 that's designated to represent residential consumers  
16 when utility companies file for rate increases. So we  
17 represent the residential consumer in whatever the  
18 rate increase may be. Thank you.

19 JUDGE AGRANOFF: You're welcome. Thank  
20 you.

21 And let the record reflect that the  
22 staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio is  
23 also a party to this proceeding, but I do not believe  
24 counsel is present at this point in time.

25 On August 8, 2024, as amended on August

1 29, 2024, Christi Water filed its application to  
2 increase rates and charges for water service to  
3 residents of the Christi Meadows subdivision, the  
4 River Chase Properties, and Webco properties in the  
5 city of Defiance.

6 Under the rates and terms proposed  
7 within the application, Christi proposes a new  
8 consolidated rate structure. Under the proposed rate  
9 design, a customer's minimum bill would increase from  
10 \$34.81 to \$45.43 or \$10.62 per month, a -- which  
11 represents a 30.5 percent increase. Also under the  
12 company's proposed rate structure, a company using 400  
13 cubic feet of water would see their bill increase  
14 approximately 18.5 percent.

15 On April 7th -- I'm sorry. I need to  
16 check something for a minute. On March 21, 2025, the  
17 Commission staff filed the staff report which  
18 recommends that the Commission adopt a rate structure  
19 in which customers of all usage levels would  
20 experience a 19.33 percent increase, which would  
21 generate a revenue requirement of approximately -- I  
22 believe it's \$203,000 [sic].

23 Staff recommends a monthly charge of  
24 \$41.54 for the first 50 cubic feet of water and one  
25 volumetric rate of 0.1581 -- 0.158197 for usage above

1 50 cubic feet.

2 Under staff's recommended rate design  
3 and revenue requirement, a customer's minimum bill  
4 would increase from \$34.81 to \$41.54 or a \$6.73 per  
5 month increase. This represents a 19.3 percent  
6 increase. Also under staff's developed rates, a  
7 customer using 400 and -- 400 cubic feet of water  
8 would see their bill increase approximately 19.33  
9 percent.

10 The purpose of this evening's hearing  
11 is to receive comments from the public regarding  
12 Christi Water's application in this case. This is not  
13 intended to be a question-and-answer session, but  
14 instead is your opportunity to let the commission know  
15 what you think about the applicant's request. An  
16 evidentiary hearing in this matter is scheduled for  
17 May 21, 2025, at the offices of the commission.

18 Subsequent to this hearing, the  
19 commission will review the application, the staff  
20 report, the public and evidentiary hearing records, as  
21 well as the comments and other applicable documents to  
22 reach a decision with respect to Christi's  
23 application. I would note that pursuant to the entry  
24 of October 15, 2025, the Ohio Consumers' Counsel was  
25 granted intervention in this proceeding.



1           Tonight's hearing is being transcribed  
2 by a court reporter. If you plan to testify, please  
3 speak clearly so that the court reporter can  
4 accurately reflect your comments on the record. Also  
5 if you have a prepared written statement, it would be  
6 helpful if you provide a copy to the court reporter  
7 for reference, in order to ensure that the transcript  
8 is accurate.

9           After I finish with my introductory  
10 remarks, we will begin inviting individuals who have  
11 signed up to speak about the application. Each person  
12 who has signed up to testify shall be permitted to  
13 speak and provide about five minutes of testimony.  
14 Before you present your testimony, we'll ask you to  
15 take an oath or an affirmation that what you're about  
16 to say is the truth. We'll also ask you to state your  
17 name and address for the record, that you will provide  
18 your thoughts regarding Christi's application.

19           The parties in this case, Mr. Kieffer  
20 and myself, will be permitted to ask you questions  
21 about your statements. The testimony that you'll  
22 provide tonight will be considered part of the  
23 official record in this case. It will be reviewed by  
24 the commission before a final decision is rendered on  
25 the application.

1           A couple of other notes. If you decide  
2 not to testify, when I call your name, you certainly  
3 have the opportunity to pass, and we will merely move  
4 on to the next witness. If you decide that you prefer  
5 to file written comments in the docket, Erin Biehl --  
6 as I mentioned before, of our commission staff -- can  
7 provide you with information about how you can submit  
8 those comments.

9           Once you finish testifying or if you're  
10 here only to observe, you may leave the hearing at any  
11 time that you wish; we only ask that you do so  
12 quietly. The commission appreciates your  
13 participation in tonight's hearing, and we want  
14 everyone who has signed up to testify to have the  
15 opportunity to do so. For this reason, please keep  
16 your testimony, as I mentioned before, to  
17 approximately five minutes in length.

18           And right now we will call our first  
19 witness.

20           And, Mr. Kieffer, if you --

21           JUDGE KIEFFER: I'm not quite sure how  
22 to -- I can't -- it's pretty faint -- but the address  
23 is 2133, in Hawthorne. I apologize, sir. Before you  
24 testify, could you please raise your right hand?

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1 WHEREUPON,

2 KARL KISSNER,

3 called as a witness and having been first

4 duly sworn to tell the truth, the whole

5 truth, and nothing but the truth, was

6 examined and testified as follows:

7 JUDGE KIEFFER: Okay. Thank you. You  
8 can put your hand down. And could you please state  
9 your name -- spell and state your name and provide  
10 your address for the record.

11 MR. KISSNER: Karl Kissner, K-A-R-L  
12 K-I-S-S-N-E-R. Address is 2133 Hawthorne Drive,  
13 Christi Meadows.

14 JUDGE KIEFFER: I was way closer with  
15 your name than I thought, but I didn't want to mess it  
16 up. So --

17 MR. KISSNER: That's fine.

18 JUDGE KIEFFER: Please go ahead  
19 whenever you're ready, sir.

20 MR. KISSNER: Okay. I've been a  
21 resident of Christi Meadows for approximately 19  
22 years. What I'm about to testify on is nothing more  
23 than my observation. In regards to the actual rate  
24 increase, I have very little objection to it. All of  
25 our costs have went up. I understand that probably

1 better than most.

2 What I have objection to is, based on  
3 the last increase, there were promises made to the  
4 addition of upgrades that were never made. At least  
5 to my observation, the only upgrade I saw was a kid  
6 walking around finding where the shutoffs were because  
7 they were not documented. I actually found my own  
8 shutoff and documented it for them.

9 If this is their idea of reinvesting in  
10 the community, in the addition, in an infrastructure  
11 that in some areas is 50 years old, then I have  
12 objection to a rate increase. Until they are willing  
13 to document what they're going to do for our addition  
14 in the future in regards to repair, maintenance, and  
15 any funds needed for a major catastrophe, I will  
16 object to any increase. Thank you.

17 JUDGE KIEFFER: Thank you, sir. I have  
18 a -- before you step down, I have a question.

19 MR. KISSNER: Sure.

20 JUDGE KIEFFER: So you mentioned the  
21 addition. Could you elaborate on that? I understand  
22 it's a subdivision, but --

23 MR. KISSNER: The addition is Christi  
24 Meadows; okay? So Christi Meadows -- you're probably  
25 not familiar with the area. I don't know -- Galen

1     could probably tell you exactly how many houses are in  
2     the addition.  It's a pretty good size addition.  It  
3     goes around a lake -- pretty nice place.

4                 JUDGE KIEFFER:  There's, like, another  
5     part of the subdivision?

6                 MR. KISSNER:  It's part -- a nice, big  
7     part of a subdivision.  It is outside of the city  
8     limits, which is actually kind of nice.  I -- I can  
9     put up a clothesline if I want to; okay?

10                JUDGE KIEFFER:  So I don't have any  
11     more questions.

12                Judge Agranoff, anything from you?

13                JUDGE AGRANOFF:  Nothing from me.

14                JUDGE KIEFFER:  Anything from the OCC?

15                MR. BEILHARZ:  Yeah.

16                I have one question, sir.

17                MR. KISSNER:  Sure.

18                MR. KRAL:  Yeah.  So I -- my name's Don  
19     Kral.  That way the court reporter --

20                JUDGE KIEFFER:  You're a little,  
21     like --

22                MR. KISSNER:  That way they can hear --

23                JUDGE KIEFFER:  Yeah.

24                MR. KRAL:  My name's Don Kral, and I  
25     represent the office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel,

1 which is a state agency, to represent residential  
2 consumers like yourself during the case.

3 Now, what's your understanding of the  
4 condition of the infrastructure of the water system,  
5 and are you aware that it looks like approximately 30  
6 percent of the water is unaccounted for?

7 MR. KISSNER: The only thing I can tell  
8 you about the infrastructure of it from my own  
9 personal experience is over seven months ago, I had a  
10 horrendous water bill. So we tested the meter. We  
11 tested the reader part outside; we tested the house to  
12 make sure there were no leaks. There were no leaks.

13 It was a faulty meter, and it was a  
14 faulty reader device outside. This was well over  
15 seven months ago. I just got a new meter two weeks  
16 ago. It took over seven months to get a meter. Now,  
17 you could say it took that long to get one, but that  
18 means you have none in backup.

19 And as any utility, they're generally  
20 required to have a spare, so I'm a little disheartened  
21 at the overall preparedness. And if that is any  
22 example -- one house, one meter -- of the addition as  
23 a whole, we have a problem.

24 MR. KRAL: Thank you very much.

25 JUDGE AGRANOFF: Sir, if we could --

1 just have a couple of clarifying questions. With  
2 respect to the need for meter replacement that you  
3 discussed, from your perspective, was your bill  
4 inaccurate as a result of the faulty meter?

5 MR. KISSNER: They couldn't read it.  
6 They were guessing. The numbers outside, some of them  
7 were so sun-faded you couldn't read them. So was it a  
8 faulty meter, or was it a faulty meter reader? I'm  
9 not going to make that call.

10 JUDGE AGRANOFF: Okay. Was there --

11 MR. KISSNER: I can merely tell you it  
12 was in error.

13 JUDGE AGRANOFF: Was there any  
14 rectification of it?

15 MR. KISSNER: They adjusted the one  
16 bill.

17 JUDGE AGRANOFF: Okay.  
18 Any questions from the company?

19 MR. BEILHARZ: No.

20 JUDGE AGRANOFF: Okay.

21 JUDGE KIEFFER: Thank you, sir.  
22 Next, I believe, it might be "Kalen"?  
23 They reside at 4105 Timber Lane.

24 MR. LOCHER: Good evening, gentlemen.

25 JUDGE KIEFFER: Good evening, sir.

1 Before you testify, could you please raise your right  
2 hand?

3 WHEREUPON,

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8 examined and testified as follows:

9 JUDGE KIEFFER: Thank you, sir. You  
10 can put your hand down. And could you please say and  
11 spell your name for the record and provide your  
12 address.

13 MR. LOCHER: I'm Galen, G-A-L-E-N,  
14 Locher, L-O-C-H-E-R. I reside at 4105 Timber Lane  
15 Drive, located in -- in the -- in the Township of  
16 Noble, in the county of Defiance.

17 JUDGE KIEFFER: Thank you, sir. You  
18 can proceed whenever you're ready.

19 MR. LOCHER: I wear two hats. I'm a  
20 consumer, and I also work for Christi Water. I've  
21 been helping with the system for a period of almost 40  
22 years. I have installed meters; I have helped with  
23 leaks; I bring in contractors to repair.

24 And as pointed out, we are an aging  
25 community. We came, we had children, we raised our



1 children, and we're an old neighborhood now. I'm an  
2 82-year-old member of that neighborhood now. I have a  
3 history of being there almost 50 years, almost as old  
4 as the community itself.

5 As far as repairs go, I was the one  
6 that came and put a meter in for Karl Kissner, as soon  
7 as they made a meter available to me -- and  
8 directions. I made effort to contact him; I needed to  
9 get another phone number. I contacted him, made  
10 arrangements -- he was extremely cordial to me. We  
11 installed a new meter. We put in a solid state  
12 reader, and I made sure that the meter was working and  
13 the reader was working that day.

14 And I came back a week later to verify  
15 that it was still working. And it indeed was  
16 operating. I have no prior knowledge to the  
17 condition. I do have to agree with Karl. There was  
18 no way to read the numbers on the outside reader;  
19 it -- the -- the sun had baked it clean.

20 As far as repairs, we've pointed out  
21 that we're a 50-year-old company. And we had a 12-  
22 inch water main break last year that had to be  
23 repaired. We had to work with a lot of people --  
24 contractors, get materials in. And we did it  
25 smoothly, and we maintained water pressure throughout

1 the repair with the over guidance of a lady from the  
2 city water treatment plant and made sure that  
3 everything was in line. We established boil alerts in  
4 case it would -- have to; it proved to be unnecessary.

5 We had another leak on Misty Shores; we  
6 took care of -- as soon as we could. We had some  
7 residential leaks on -- on properties that -- we  
8 worked with the property owners to repair them  
9 quickly. As far as meters, they are damn hard to  
10 get -- excuse me. But they're hard to get. We are in  
11 a society now that's moving on to a better meter, and  
12 we are looking to fund ourselves so that we can put in  
13 those new meters and have more accurate water  
14 readings.

15 We have a lady -- a -- a lady of record  
16 that reads our -- does our paperwork for the state.  
17 And she drives our community three days a week looking  
18 for a leak, and I'm proud to say she hasn't kept me  
19 busy at all this summer. So --

20 As far as the second hat, I've had  
21 water every morning.

22 JUDGE KIEFFER: I don't have any  
23 questions for -- if you're done, sir, I don't have any  
24 questions for you.

25 Judge Agranoff?

1 JUDGE AGRANOFF: Nothing from me.

2 MR. KRAL: Just one or two few  
3 questions. Thank you -- first, thank you for  
4 testifying.

5 MR. LOCHER: I appreciate that. Thank  
6 you.

7 MR. KRAL: Does Christi Water, to your  
8 knowledge, have meters in storage or as backup?

9 MR. LOCHER: I have one right now.

10 MR. KRAL: You have one?

11 MR. LOCHER: I have one.

12 MR. KRAL: Okay. What does that --

13 MR. LOCHER: That means I have one in  
14 my garage -- and a reader.

15 MR. KRAL: Okay. And that's -- you --  
16 you keep that in your garage?

17 MR. LOCHER: And I keep that in my  
18 garage. I don't have to search for it; it's right  
19 there.

20 MR. KRAL: Okay. Other than your  
21 garage, are you aware of any other meters that Christi  
22 Water has as backups in storage?

23 MR. LOCHER: You don't know how busy I  
24 am.

25 MR. KRAL: Okay.

1 MR. BEILHARZ: Can I answer that?

2 MR. KRAL: Well, no. He's --

3 JUDGE KIEFFER: No.

4 MR. KRAL: But are you aware of any  
5 other meters that Christi Water has?

6 MR. LOCHER: I -- I'm -- you want me to  
7 give under oath an -- to answer that, and I don't  
8 believe I can give you an accurate answer. So I'm  
9 not -- not trying to do that.

10 MR. KRAL: Okay. So is it fair to say  
11 that, as we stand here today, you don't know of any  
12 other meters other than the one in your garage?

13 MR. LOCHER: And I'd have to -- I'd  
14 have to say yes to that.

15 MR. KRAL: Now, you heard  
16 Mr. Kaisner --

17 MR. LOCHER: Kissner. It's a good  
18 name.

19 MR. KRAL: -- Kissner testify. Now,  
20 did you know him outside of this?

21 MR. LOCHER: Outside -- 40 years,  
22 probably.

23 MR. KRAL: Okay. Is -- does he live  
24 near -- near you, or --

25 MR. LOCHER: I think he's -- I've been

1 in his home in the last couple weeks.

2 MR. KRAL: Okay. You heard him testify  
3 that, basically, it took seven months after he raised  
4 the issue for him to get the meter. Do you have any  
5 explanation or understanding yourself why it took that  
6 long?

7 MR. LOCHER: Once they -- once they  
8 appointed me to -- to go change it, I made an effort  
9 to contact them. I found out that the number we had  
10 wasn't correct; we got -- got that corrected. And  
11 Karl made an appointment with me very quickly, and we  
12 were cordial with each other.

13 MR. KRAL: Sure. I'm glad to hear  
14 that.

15 MR. LOCHER: I'm not much of a fighter.

16 MR. KRAL: In terms of your role, I  
17 mean, how long would you say -- between when you were  
18 notified of the need to replace that meter and when  
19 you got it in, how long was that process?

20 MR. LOCHER: I probably messed around  
21 three, four days trying to get a phone number, and  
22 then when I got that corrected, I got ahold of Karl.  
23 And I think he said, "Next couple days."

24 MR. KRAL: Okay. So of the seven  
25 months, you maybe took up one week of that?

1 MR. LOCHER: I -- I'm fairly efficient.

2 MR. KRAL: Okay. The 12-inch water  
3 main that broke, are you aware of how old that water  
4 main was?

5 MR. LOCHER: I can't guarantee -- 50.

6 MR. KRAL: Fifty years at least?

7 MR. LOCHER: Fifty -- pretty close to  
8 50 years. The community was established back in '74.  
9 So --

10 MR. KRAL: Okay. So -- and you believe  
11 that was an original water meter?

12 MR. LOCHER: Oh, absolutely.

13 MR. KRAL: And are you aware of other  
14 meters like his that are unable to be read?

15 MR. LOCHER: I replaced one last week.

16 MR. KRAL: Okay. I believe, in  
17 discovery, Christi Water said that basically every  
18 meter needs to be replaced; would you agree with that?

19 MR. LOCHER: Absolutely. They last --  
20 they have a -- a 11- to 19-year history of operating;  
21 ours are well over that. The company tells me they've  
22 been working in a deficit, and we need to -- to  
23 replace it with a much more accurate, much more  
24 updated water system and -- and water meter.

25 MR. KRAL: All right. Thank you very

1 much.

2 JUDGE KIEFFER: Thank you, sir. All  
3 righty. That's everyone that we have signed up to  
4 testify today. Is there anyone else present who would  
5 like to put anything onto the record as a witness?

6 MR. BEILHARZ: Should I put on the  
7 record for the meters on hand?

8 JUDGE AGRANOFF: Actually, that would  
9 be something that you would be providing at the  
10 evidentiary hearing.

11 MR. BEILHARZ: Okay.

12 JUDGE AGRANOFF: Thank you. Why don't  
13 we take about a 15-minute break and see whether any  
14 other individuals come in who may have anticipated  
15 testifying this evening.

16 I also would like to clarify that the  
17 statement that I had read earlier regarding staff's  
18 proposed rate design and the revenue requirement that  
19 would result from that is actually an amount that --  
20 the revenue requirement that would be generated  
21 would've been \$221,939. So I just wanted to clarify  
22 the record with respect to that.

23 And at this time, let's take a  
24 15-minute break, and we will reconvene at 6:45. Thank  
25 you.

1 THE REPORTER: Going off the record at  
2 6:28 p.m.

3 (Off the record.)

4 THE REPORTER: Back on the record at  
5 6:45 p.m.

6 JUDGE AGRANOFF: Okay. We're going to  
7 go back on the record at this time.

8 As I had mentioned previously, before  
9 we took a break, we were going to afford individuals  
10 that may have wanted to testify that were not here  
11 when we began the opportunity to still provide their  
12 testimony. Is there anybody present currently that  
13 would like to testify who may have not, up until this  
14 point?

15 Hearing none, then we will conclude our  
16 hearing for this evening. And I thank you, everybody,  
17 for the participation. And we will have, as I  
18 mentioned previously, the evidentiary hearing which is  
19 currently scheduled for May 21st at the commission's  
20 offices. Thank you.

21 We are in recess. Thank you.

22 THE REPORTER: Going off the record at  
23 6:46 p.m.

24 (Whereupon, at 6:46 p.m., the  
25 proceeding was concluded.)



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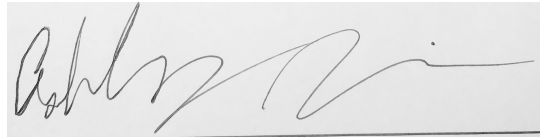


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