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Dear

**Southern Water bills: suspected 'price gouging' scam**

As your constituent, I am seeking your action in combatting and redressing my outrageous hyper-inflated bills from Southern Water.

My current annual Southern Water bill has increased by more than 55% on last year's and demonstrates an across-the-board increase of for all customers of 55-65% so far. Plus, the Competition and Markets Authority has approved a further 3% increase.

Ofwat's PR24 final approved bills formula for Southern Water was for an increase of 47-52% to be spread out over 5 years and not applied in one go.

I and the majority of Southern Waters customers simply cannot afford this year's colossal increase, let alone any further increases. Also, as Southern Water holds a monopoly for wastewater services, we cannot choose an alternative company.

As the recent damning report by Bad Southern Water indicates, like other customers I fear that Southern Water's 'price gouging' will inflict annual bills of £1,500 or more by 2029-30.

I am therefore asking you as my MP to take urgent action to stop this outrageous conduct.

Further information can be found at <https://bad.southernwater.org/>

Thank you in anticipation of your action and support.

Yours sincerely,