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Dear Sir or Madam:

I believe the high water price will make it extremely hard to live here in Mt. Larcom. My girlfriend and I have just bought our first home here in Mt. Larcom thinking we could do it up and down the track sell it and up grade to something better. If the water price goes up our house price goes down. So we will be paying off a house that is only worth half of what we paid for it four weeks ago. With paying off the house, our car and trying to put something aside for a rainy day we can't afford in increase of 1300% in our water rates.

We bought a house in Mt. Larcom so we had town water. Previously we lived in a rented house at Ambrose and got sick of having to pay \$100 a load for water when our tanks were empty.

While watching ads on television for Care Australia and Oxfam ect, they tell us that the people in the third world countries have a right to have clean water. Have we become less than a third world country, and water is a privilege. Have Mt Larcom people become second-class citizens in your eyes?

Sincerely yours,



Mr. Raoul Willcocks