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VSA Volunteers,

The proposed sale of our water company to Aqua America, Inc. was discussed during the Tuesday night meeting at the clubhouse. The subcommittee has produced a lengthy report advocating for the sale. The MKL Board voted not to support the sale and issued a concise two page report pointing out the minimal water quality and financial risks to MKL residents.

One of the concerns was the cost of metered water, now and in the future. The report conceded that the initial rates would be slightly higher than our rate. Any increases would be through our state BPU. The Board commented that Aqua has made increases of 30% or more in other states.

Another concern was the future availability and capabilities of our volunteers. I feel great pride and responsibility in serving the MKL community, as I'm sure each of you do during your scheduled week of VSA duty. We, like the fire department and first aid squad, are volunteers with easy access to professional assistance, if needed.

I encourage all of you to review the documents on the MKL website, and to cast your ballot or proxy for tomorrow's meeting.

Ken Heiden
VSA Coordinator