

M A N I T O B A) Order No. 103/11
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT) August 17, 2011

BEFORE: Susan Proven, P.H.Ec., Acting Chair
Monica Girouard, CGA, Member
Graham Lane, CA, Chairman

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF RITCHOT
 ILE DES CHENES WATER AND SEWER UTILITY
 ACTUAL DEFICIT 2009

WHEREAS the Public Utilities Board (PUB) issued Order No. 151/08 on November 7, 2008 requiring all water and/or sewer utilities to report an actual year-end deficit to the Board if the utility:

1. had not received prior approval for the deficit from the Board and such deficit either exceeds \$10,000 or represents 5% of the utility's operating budget; or
2. had received prior approval for the deficit from the Board and the actual deficit:
 - a. exceeds the previously approved amount by either \$10,000 or 5% of the utility's operating budget; or
 - b. is caused as a result that differs from that upon which said approval was granted;

AND WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Ritchot incurred a deficit in the Ile Des Chenes water and sewer utility at the end of the 2009 operating year in the amount of \$35,747;

AND WHEREAS the said cause of the deficit is a result of inadequate rates and the requirement to record an amortization expense for undepreciated capital assets;

AND WHEREAS the PUB permits capital grants to be amortized for the same number of years as the capital asset for which they were received, thereby reducing the annual deficit;

AND WHEREAS the Rural Municipality reports annual capital grant revenues in the amount of \$20,749 for 2009, reducing the deficit to \$14,998;

AND WHEREAS it is proposed that the said deficit be recovered through the utility fund surplus;

AND WHEREAS the Ile Des Chenes utility rates have not been reviewed since 2002;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The actual net deficit of \$14,998 incurred in the Rural Municipality of Richot water and sewer utility serving Ile Des Chenes during the year 2009, for the purposes set out herein, BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY APPROVED to be recovered from utility fund surplus.
2. The Rural Municipality of Ritchot review the Ile Des Chenes utility rates for adequacy and file a report with the Public Utilities Board by December 31, 2011.

Fees payable upon this Order - \$150.00

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"GRAHAM F. J. LANE C.A."
Chairman

"KRISTINE SHIELDS"
Acting Secretary

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