

M A N I T O B A) Order No. 35/12
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT) June 14, 2012

REVISED MAY 1, 2013

BEFORE: Susan Proven, P.H.Ec., Acting Chair
Monica Girouard, CGA, Member
Raymond Lafond, CA, Member

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF SPRINGFIELD
WATER AND SEWER UTILITY
ACTUAL DEFICIT 2010-2009**

WHEREAS the Public Utilities Board 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 Springfield Water and Sewer Utility (Utility) had a working capital deficit at the end of the 2010 operating year of \$129,720, when calculated for regulatory purposes;

AND WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Springfield Water and Sewer Utility (Utility) had a working capital deficit at the end of the 2009 operating year of \$649,617, when calculated for regulatory purposes;

AND WHEREAS it is proposed that the 2010 deficit of \$129,720 is recovered over four years by the proposed rate increase;

AND WHEREAS it is proposed that the reason for the deficit of \$649,617 for 2009 is a result of conversion to PSAB;

AND WHEREAS it is proposed that the 2009 deficit is recovered from the Utility Reserves and a 2012 proposed rate increase;

AND WHEREAS it is proposed that a pending rate study be submitted as soon as possible or by September 30, 2012.

Board decisions may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of Section 58 of *The Public Utilities Board Act*, or reviewed in accordance with Section 36 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules). The Board's Rules may be viewed on the Board's website at www.pub.gov.mb.ca.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The 2010 working capital deficit, when calculated for regulatory purposes, of \$129,720 incurred in the **Rural Municipality of Springfield** Water and Sewer Utility Operations, for the purposes set out herein, is HEREBY APPROVED to be recovered over four years by the proposed rate increase;
2. The 2009 working capital deficit, when calculated for regulatory purposes, of \$649,617 incurred in the **Rural Municipality of Springfield** Water and Sewer Utility Operations, for the purposes set out herein, is HEREBY APPROVED to be recovered from the Utility Reserves and a 2012 proposed rate increase.

Fees payable upon this Order - \$150.00

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"SUSAN PROVEN, P.H.Ec."

Acting Chair

"KURT SIMONSEN, P.Eng."

Acting Secretary

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