

M A N I T O B A) **Order No. 37/14**
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT) **March 28, 2014**

BEFORE: Susan Proven, P.H.Ec., Acting Chair
The Hon. Anita Neville, P.C., B.A. (Hons.), Member

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STE. ROSE
LID No. 1 OF LAURIER
WATER AND SEWER UTILITY
ACTUAL DEFICIT 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012

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 Ste. Rose-LID No. 1-Laurier** Water and Sewer Utility (Utility) incurred an operating deficit of \$8,648 at the end of the 2009 operating year, when calculated for regulatory purposes;

AND WHEREAS the **Rural Municipality of Ste. Rose-LID No. 1-Laurier** Water and Sewer Utility (Utility) incurred an operating deficit of \$13,393 at the end of the 2010 operating year, when calculated for regulatory purposes;

AND WHEREAS the **Rural Municipality of Ste. Rose-LID No. 1-Laurier** Water and Sewer Utility (Utility) incurred an operating deficit of \$15,046 at the end of the 2011 operating year, when calculated for regulatory purposes;

AND WHEREAS the **Rural Municipality of Ste. Rose-LID No. 1-Laurier** Water and Sewer Utility (Utility) incurred an operating deficit of \$11,224 at the end of the 2012 operating year, when calculated for regulatory purposes;

AND WHEREAS it is proposed that the reason for said deficit is a result of amortization expenses;

AND WHEREAS it is proposed that the **2009 and 2010** deficits be recovered by a draw-down of \$8,648 and of \$13,393 from the Utility Surplus Fund;

AND WHEREAS it is proposed that the **2011 and 2012** deficits of \$15,046 and \$11,224 be recovered by a rate rider over the next five (5) years in the amount of a \$15 per quarter rate rider charge for each ratepayer.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The actual 2009 and 2010 operating deficits, when calculated for regulatory purposes, of \$8,648 and of \$13,393 incurred in the **Rural Municipality of Ste. Rose-LID No. 1-Laurier** Water and Sewer Utility Operations, for the purposes set out herein, is HEREBY APPROVED to be recovered from the Utility Surplus;

The actual 2011 and 2012 operating deficits, when calculated for regulatory purposes, of \$15,046 and \$11,224 incurred in the **Rural Municipality of Ste. Rose-LID No. 1-Laurier** Water and Sewer Utility Operations, for the purposes set out herein, is HEREBY VARIED to be recovered by a rate rider over the next three (3) years in the amount of a \$25 quarterly rate rider charge for each ratepayer.

Fees payable upon this Order - \$150.00

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"SUSAN PROVEN, P.H.Ec."

Acting Chair

"JENNIFER DUBOIS, CMA."

Acting Secretary

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Public Utilities Board

Acting Secretary

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