

M A N I T O B A ) Order No. 21/15  
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT ) February 20, 2015

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

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ALEXANDER  
PINE GROVE WATER UTILITY  
ANTICIPATED DEFICIT 2014**

**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 Pine Grove Water Utility (Utility) anticipates an operating deficit of \$5,593.77 at the end of the 2014 operating year, when calculated for regulatory purposes;

**AND WHEREAS** it is proposed that the reason for said deficit is a result of unforeseen expenses as a result of frozen water lines and the required replacement of pressure tanks;

**AND WHEREAS** it is proposed that the **2014** anticipated deficit be recovered through a two year rate rider;

**AND WHEREAS** Council has passed a resolution instructing the RM Administration to initiate a rate study for the Pine Grove Water Utility;

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. The actual 2014 anticipated operating deficit, when calculated for regulatory purposes, of \$5,593.77, incurred in the Pine Grove Water Utility Operations, is HEREBY APPROVED to be recovered through a two year rate rider, at a rate of \$46.61 annually per customer;
2. The Rural Municipality of Alexander provides the Pine Grove Water Utility customers with notice of the rate rider, with a copy to the Public Utilities Board.
3. The Rural Municipality of Alexander review the Pine Grove Water Utility rates for adequacy and file a report with the Public Utilities Board, as well as an application for revised rates if required, by no later than September 30, 2015.

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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Order No. 21/15 issued by The  
Public Utilities Board

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Acting Secretary

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