



News Release

May 7, 2012

In Order No. 57/12 dated May 7, 2012 the Public Utilities Board (Board) approved revised water and sewer rates for the Town of Birtle (Town) effective April 1, 2012 and confirms as final interim rates approved on an ex parte basis by Order No. 70/10 on July 6, 2010.

For each Residential Equivalent Unit (REU), the quarterly charge will be:

Water Commodity Rate	\$125.00
Sewer Commodity Rate	\$ 27.00
Service Charge	<u>\$ 24.70</u>
Total Quarterly	\$176.70

The revised rates represent a 41% increase over the interim rates currently in place. These rates will be effective April 1, 2012 and will appear on the next quarterly bill scheduled for May 2012.

The Board has also determined that the Town will not be required to refund amounts billed and collected in 2011 despite the fact that these amounts were billed without Board approval.

Board Orders can be viewed on the Board's website: www.pub.gov.mb.ca.

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