



# News Release

December 11, 2009 -- Amended

In Order 167/09 dated December 10, 2009, the Public Utilities Board (Board) approved, on an interim *ex parte* basis, new rates for the Town of Lynn Lake (Town). The interim rates are effective immediately and are to be reflected in the next billing, now scheduled for January 2010. Existing and interim rates are as follows:

		REU*	Existing	Interim 25% increase
Flat Rate	Commodity Charge per quarter		\$64.00	\$80.00
Administration	Service Charge per quarter		\$20.00	\$25.00
Bulk Water Sales	per 100 gallons		\$1.25	\$1.56
Single Family, Small Commercial otherwise not listed		1	\$84.00	\$105.00
Commercial**	Pharmacy, Bus Lines, Arena, Hall, Esso, Car dealer, etc.	2	\$148.00	\$185.00
	Bank, Northern Stores, Curling, Store and Suites	3	\$212.00	\$265.00
	Community Club, RCMP, Laundry, Motel	4	\$276.00	\$345.00
	NW Dev Corp, Legion, Offices/Suites	5	\$340.00	\$425.00
	Hostel	7	\$468.00	\$585.00
	Plaza	9	\$596.00	\$745.00
	Hotel/Restaurant/Bar	12	\$788.00	\$985.00
	Hospital	37	\$2,388.00	\$2,985.00
	School	38	\$2,452.00	\$3,065.00

\* REU – Residential Equivalency Unit

\*\*The Board recognizes that some of the businesses noted may no longer be operating.

The Board’s interim approval of these rates is provided on a conditional basis, and without prior public notice, due to the weak financial position of the Town’s utility and a resultant urgent need for higher revenue.

The Board also conditionally approves the 2008 utility deficit of \$149,123.14, although the Board withholds a decision on how the deficit is to be recovered pending the Town filing a rate study and an application for revised rates, to be filed no later than June 30, 2010.

Board Order No. 167/09 is available for review on the Board’s website: [www.pub.gov.mb.ca](http://www.pub.gov.mb.ca)

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