



News Release

June 20, 2008

In Order No. 83/08 dated June 20, 2008, the Public Utilities Board approves an application by the Town of MacGregor for revised water and sewer rates; the revised rates are effective for the next quarterly billing.

Existing and approved rates are:

	Existing			Approved			Increase
	Water	Sewer	Total	Water	Sewer	Total	
First 90 M ³	\$1.40	\$0.45	\$1.85	\$2.25	\$0.45	\$2.70	46%
Over 90 M ³ (1)	\$1.15	\$0.45	\$1.60	\$2.25	\$0.45	\$2.70	69%
Minimum Quarterly Bill – 14 M ³	\$30.25			\$52.80			75%
Sewer only (Quarterly Bill) (2)	\$24.20			\$42.85			77%
Bulk water (/1,000 gals)	\$ 5.00			\$10.25			105%
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 4.35			\$15.00			245%

(1) The large volume discount rate (2nd step) will be eliminated.

(2) Sewer only customer charges are now based on 62 M³ per quarter, previously 44 M³ per quarter.

The previous rate change was implemented in 1994.

The increases primarily result from the Town's now purchasing its water from the Yellowhead Regional Water Co-operative (YRWC). The cost of the water supply has increased 285%, from \$1.95 per thousand gallons to \$7.50. YRWC has advised that, in future, price changes will be in step with increases in the Consumer Price Index.

A copy of these Orders may be viewed on the Board's website www.pub.gov.mb.ca, or at the Board's Office.

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