News Release



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In Order No. 157/11 dated November 9, 2011 the Public Utilities Board confirmed interim rates set for 2011 and approved revised water and sewer rates for the rural and urban utilities of the Rural Municipality of Morris (RM), effective January 1, 2012. (The urban utility consists of the Lowe Farm, Rosenort and Sperling utilities.)

The RM is now required to amend its rate by-law to reflect the provisions of this Order, and file these with the Board no later than January 1, 2012. This approval amends the 2011 interim rates approved in Board Order No. 13/11, issued January 21, 2011. Existing and revised rates:

Urban Utility

Commodity Rate \$/1,000 gallons		Prior to	rior to 2011		2011 Approved	2012 Revised
	Lowe Farm (1999)	Rosenort (1999)	Sperling (2006)			
			Rural	Urban		
Water – All Consumption	\$ 7.13	-	\$ 7.60	\$ 9.60	\$ 11.50	\$ 13.30
First 27,500 gallons	-	\$ 6.54		-	-	
Over 27,500 gallons	-	\$ 5.22		-	-	
Rate rider - deficit recovery						\$ 3.61
Sewer	\$ 2.22	\$ 1.09	-	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.75	\$ 1.75
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 9.70	\$ 8.80	\$	5.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 20.00
Minimum Quarterly	\$38.54 ⁽¹⁾	\$32.32 ⁽¹⁾	\$35.40 ⁽¹⁾	\$48.40 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 45.75 ⁽²⁾	\$ 75.98 ⁽²⁾
Bulk Water	\$ 8.40	\$7.72	\$	9.60	\$ 15.00 ⁽³⁾	\$ 17.25 ⁽⁴⁾
Reconnection charge	-	-	\$100	0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00

⁽¹⁾ Includes 4,000 gallons (2) Includes 3,000 gallons (3) Plus a \$6 per customer quarterly service charge (4) Includes \$3.61 rate rider plus a \$6 quarterly service charge

Rural Utility

Commodity Rate \$/1,000 gallons	Prior (1999)	2011	2012
Water	\$ 6.50	\$ 8.00	\$ 7.70
Rate rider - deficit recovery	-	-	\$ 0.22
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 4.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 27.30
Minimum Quarterly	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 51.06
Reconnection charge	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00

This decision followed a public hearing held in the RM's Council Chambers on July 25, 2011. This Order and the interim rate order noted above, provide additional details and can be viewed on the Board's website: www.pub.gov.mb.ca.

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