News Release



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In Order No. 109/10 dated November 1, 2010 the Public Utilities Board (Board) established on an **interim** *ex parte* basis revised water and sewer utility rates for the Town of Powerview – Pine Falls (Town), to take effect January 1, 2011.

The following table sets out the existing rates for Ward 1 and Ward 2. The interim rates, effective with this order, apply to both Ward 1 and Ward 2:

	Ward 1 Current Rates	Ward 2 Current Rates	Interim for Both Wards 1 and 2
Water rate	\$0.51 per m ³	\$1.15 per 40 m ³	\$1.01 per m ³
Sewer rate	\$0.13 per m ³	-	\$0.15 per m ³
Quarterly Service Charge	\$7.75	-	\$7.75
Quarterly Minimum	\$16.48 ⁽¹⁾	$$15.00^{(2)}$	\$23.99 ⁽¹⁾
Quarterly bill using 70 m ³	\$52.55	\$16.15	\$88.95
Sewer Only	\$9.57	-	\$18.51 ⁽³⁾
Water and sewer quarterly – Unmetered customers, including mobile homes	\$63.40	-	\$90.92 ⁽³⁾

⁽¹⁾ Includes 14 m³, ⁽²⁾ Included 30 m³, ⁽³⁾ Based on 71.7 m³

Rates were last amended for Ward 1 customers in 1996 (Order 104/96). Prior to the implementation of this order, Ward 2 customers were assessed for water services only (sewer services were previously provided by Tembec). While Tembec remains the owner of the water treatment plant (WTP) that services the Town, the Town and Tembec are negotiating the transfer of ownership of the WTP to the Town (the Town expects the transfer to take effect by the end of this year).

The Town is to file a new rate study with the Board by June 30, 2011. Details of the revised rates are attached to Order 109/10 as Schedule "A". The Order can be viewed in its entirety on the Board's website: <u>www.pub.gov.mb.ca</u>.

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