



## News Release

July 25, 2008

In Order 113/08 dated July 25, 2008, the Public Utilities Board (Board) amended the Application of the Rural Municipality of Shoal Lake (RM) for increased sewer rates for the community of Oakburn. While the Board approved the rate proposal applied for, it also provided increases for 2009 and 2010.

The quarterly charge is to be separated into two components: a service charge and a sewer charge, this to ensure that commercial accounts only pay one service charge.

As a result of this Order, a residential customer's quarterly bill will increase from \$18.00 to \$30.00 in 2008, as proposed by the RM, and thereafter to \$35 and \$40 for 2009 and 2010 respectively.

The increases, while substantial, are necessary to allow the Utility to meet considerable challenges and provide rate predictability.

Notice of the RM's Application was provided to ratepayers. The Board received no response.

A copy of this Order may be viewed on the Board's website [www.pub.gov.mb.ca](http://www.pub.gov.mb.ca), or at the Board's Office.

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