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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 REVISED WATER and SEWER RATES
 RURAL MUNICIPALITY of FISHER**

March 12, 2014

The Rural Municipality of Fisher (RM) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised rates for the Water and Sewer Utility (Utility) for 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 as set out in By-law No. 1157/13 read the first time on October 9, 2013. A public Notice was issued on January 10, 2014. As a result of significant response from the RM of Fisher customers, the Board will convene a Public Hearing.

A Public Hearing will be held:

Tuesday, April 8, 2014
Ukrainian National Home
 33 Provencher Street
 Fisher Branch, Manitoba

Doors open at **6:30 p.m.** Meeting to begin at **7:00 p.m.**

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

	Current	2014	Increase/ Decrease	2015	Increase/ Decrease	2016	Increase/ Decrease	2017	Increase/ Decrease
Quarterly Service Charge	\$16.35	\$16.00	-2%	\$16.50	3.13%	\$17.00	3.03%	\$17.00	0.00%
Water \$/per 1,000 gallons	\$5.50	\$9.60	74.55%	\$9.80	2.08%	\$10.05	2.55%	\$10.05	0.00%
Sewer \$/per 1,000 gallons	\$4.75	\$7.95	67%	\$8.05	1.26%	\$8.15	1.24%	\$8.15	0.00%
Rate Rider- Deficit Recovery	\$21.50	\$34.15	59%	\$62.55	83.16%	\$41.05	-34.37%	\$28.40	-30.82%
Minimum Quarterly-Water and Sewer*	\$68.60	\$102.80	50%	\$132.60	28.99%	\$112.65	-15.05%	\$100.00	-11.23%
Minimum Quarterly-Sewer Only**	\$121.45	\$190.05	56%	\$220.75	16.15%	\$201.50	-8.72%	\$188.85	-6.28%
Minimum Quarterly-Sewer Only-Car Wash***	\$205.05	\$330.00	60.94%	\$362.40	9.82%	\$344.90	-4.83%	\$332.30	-3.65%
Bulk Water-**** \$/per 1,000 gallons	\$7.75	\$17.45	125.16%	\$25.65	46.99%	\$23.95	-6.63%	\$20.40	-14.82%
Reconnection Fee	\$30.00	\$30.00	0.00%	\$30.00	0.00%	\$30.00	0.00%	\$30.00	0.00%
Hydrant Rental (Annual)	\$150.00	\$150.00	0.00%	\$150.00	0.00%	\$150.00	0.00%	\$150.00	0.00%

- *Based on 3,000 gals. and deficit recovery rate rider
- **Based on 17,600 gals. and deficit recovery rate rider
- ***Based on 35,200 gals. and deficit recovery rate rider
- ****Includes deficit recovery rate rider

Details of the RM's application are available for review at the RM of Fisher's office or the Public Utilities Board's office. Questions concerning the application for revised rates, or the operation of the Utility, should be addressed to the RM of Fisher.

The Public Utilities Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for municipal water and sewer utilities, the Board's review process involves:

- the Utility filing a rate application to the Board,
- the public notification of proposed rate changes,
- the Board's review of the application through a public hearing or paper review process, and
- the issuance of a Board Order which outlines the Board's decision on the rate application and the rates to be charged.

Any person who has concerns regarding the RM of Fisher's application for revised rates should either write to:

**The Public Utilities Board
400-330 Portage Avenue
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or, send an email to: publicutilities@gov.mb.ca on or before **March 24, 2014**.

The Board will then decide whether any further notice is required and whether to proceed with a public hearing or paper review process. All concerns received by the Board will be considered in the Board's decision on rates to be charged.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IN CONSIDERING THIS APPLICATION, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MAY OR MAY NOT FIND IT NECESSARY TO DETERMINE RATES DIFFERENT FROM THOSE APPLIED FOR BY THE APPLICANT.

Note: All proceedings will be conducted in accord with the Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* which the Board may vary in order to constrain regulatory costs. The Rules are available at www.pub.gov.mb.ca



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