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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
 REVISED WATER and SEWER RATES
 RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MACDONALD

July 7, 2015

The Rural Municipality of Macdonald (RM) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and sewer rates as set out in By-law No.6/15 read the first time on March 24, 2015. The RM proposed consolidating the six (6) existing sewer utilities in Resolution No. 108/15 passed by their Council on March 24, 2015 requesting that the Board approve this amalgamation.

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

	Current By-law (28/05-33/05)	Proposed By-law (6/15)	Increase/ Decrease
Water- \$/per cubic meter	\$1.80	\$2.65	47%
Quarterly Service Charge Water (Urban)	\$5.40	\$8.00	48%
Quarterly Service Charge (Sewer)	\$2.30	included in water	n/a
Quarterly Service Charge Water (Rural)	\$7.70	\$8.00	3.90%
Sewer- Brunkild -\$/per cubic meter	\$0.50	\$1.30	160%
Minimum Quarterly-Water and Sewer Brunkild *	\$55.05	\$63.30	15%
Sewer- Oak Bluff - \$/per cubic meter	\$0.30	\$1.30	333%
Minimum Quarterly- Water and Sewer Oak Bluff *	\$52.30	\$63.30	21%
Sewer- Starbuck - \$/per cubic meter	\$0.70	\$1.30	86%
Minimum Quarterly- Water and Sewer Starbuck *	\$58.00	\$63.30	9%
Sewer- Sanford - \$/per cubic meter	\$0.32	\$1.30	306%
Minimum Quarterly- Water and Sewer Sanford *	\$48.65	\$63.30	30%
Sewer- La Salle - \$/per cubic meter	\$0.30	\$1.30	333%
Minimum Quarterly- Water and Sewer La Salle *	\$47.40	\$63.30	34%
Sewer- Domain - \$/per cubic meter	\$0.55	\$1.30	136%
Minimum Quarterly- Water and Sewer Domain *	\$55.10	\$63.30	15%
Bulk Water Rate- \$/per cubic meter	\$1.80	\$2.65	47%
Bulk Septage Fee- \$/per cubic meter	\$0.00	\$3.80	new
Reconnection Fee	\$50.00	\$50.00	0%
Hydrant Rental (Annual)	\$90.00	\$150.00	67%

*Based on 14 cubic meters

NB-Sewer only customers will be billed 42m³ quarterly

Minimum Quarterly Charge

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Minimum Quarterly Consumption	Administrative Fee Quarterly	Water	Sewer	Total
5/8"	1	14	\$8.00	\$37.10	\$18.20	\$63.30
3/4"	2	28	\$8.00	\$74.20	\$36.40	\$118.60
1"	4	56	\$8.00	\$148.40	\$72.80	\$229.20
1 1/2"	10	112	\$8.00	\$296.80	\$145.60	\$450.40
2"	25	224	\$8.00	\$593.60	\$291.20	\$892.80
3"	45	448	\$8.00	\$1,187.20	\$582.40	\$1,777.60
4"	90	896	\$8.00	\$2,374.40	\$1,164.80	\$3,547.20
6"	170	1,792	\$8.00	\$4,748.80	\$2,329.60	\$7,086.40
8"	300	3,584	\$8.00	\$9,497.60	\$4,659.20	\$14,164.80

Details of the Rural Municipality's application are available for review at the RM of Macdonald'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 Rural Municipality of Macdonald.

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 Rural Municipality of Macdonald'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 **August 7, 2015**

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 accordance 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

"Original Signed By:"

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