



NOTICE OF APPLICATION REVISED WASTEWATER RATES RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF HANOVER LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT No. 3 (BLUMENORT)

June 9, 2016

The Rural Municipality of Hanover (RM) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised wastewater rates as set out in By-law No. 2396-16 read the first time on May 11, 2016 for the Local Improvement District No. 3 (Blumenort). Rates were last approved in 2003 in Board Order No. 65/03.

	Current By-law No. 2071	Proposed By-law No. 2396-16 Jan 1, 2017	Inc/ Dec	Proposed By-law No. 2396-16 Jan 1, 2018	Inc/ Dec	Proposed By-law No. 2396-16 Jan 1, 2019	Inc/ Dec
Customer Service Charge	\$10.00	\$25.00	150%	\$40.00	60%	\$60.00	50%
Residential Equivalency Unit	\$110.00	\$135.00	23%	\$160.00	19%	\$185.00	16%
Reconnection Fee	\$0.00	\$50.00	New	\$50.00	0%	\$50.00	0%

The Residential Equivalency Units (REUs) per customer:

Schedule of Residential Equivalency Units		
Customer		
Residential:		
Single family residence	1	
Multi-family dwelling, per dwelling unit	1	
Senior citizens housing, per dwelling unit	1	
Institutional		
Churches	1	
Church with Daycare/Preschool, per 40 daycare spaces	3	
Schools, per classroom	1	
Commercial		
Garages, no wash rack	1	
Garages, with one wash rack	2	
Garages, per wash rack after first	1	
Laundromat, per washing machine	1	
Offices, 1 to 40 full time staff	1	
Offices, for every 40 full time staff after first 40 rounded up		
Restaurants and cafes, per 20 seats rounded up		
Retail or commercial without public washroom		
Retail or commercial with public washroom		
Strip mall, per unit without public washroom		
Strip mall, per unit with public washroom		





Details of the RM's application, including the Schedule of Annual Rates, are available for review at the RM of Hanover'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.

The Public Utilities Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for municipal water and wastewater 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 Hanover's application for revised rates should either write to:

The Public Utilities Board 400-330 Portage Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0C4

or, send an email to: <u>publicutilities@gov.mb.ca</u> on or before July 8, 2016

The Manitoba Ombudsman has recently issued privacy guidelines for administrative tribunals. The PUB is mindful of its obligations under those guidelines. Its decisions in respect of the application being considered will be sensitive to the guidelines. Personal information will not be disclosed unless it is appropriate and necessary to do so. However, the PUB advises participants that these proceedings are public and that as a result, personal information protections are reduced.

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

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