



**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
REVISED BULK WATER RATES
PEMBINA VALLEY
WATER COOPERATIVE INC.**

September 9, 2013

The Pembina Valley Water Cooperative Inc. (PVWC) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised rates for the Bulk Water Utility for 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 as set out in the Rate Study submitted to the Board on August 30, 2013.

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

Year	Increase	Rate*
Current-2013	2%	\$6.78 per 1,000 gallons
2014	10%	\$7.46 per 1,000 gallons
2015	3%	\$7.69 per 1,000 gallons
2016**	0-2%	\$7.69-\$7.84 per 1,000 gallons
2017**	0-2%	\$7.69-\$8.00 per 1,000 gallons
2018**	0-2%	\$7.69-\$8.16 per 1,000 gallons

*The upper rate for 2016, 2017 and 2018 is based on 2% increase for each of those years.

**These years are requested as discretionary increases. The rate can be increased by the PVWC's Board of Directors without making application to the Public Utilities Board. A rate increase of more than the 2% would require Board approval.

The current customers for Pembina Valley Water Cooperative Inc. include:

PVWC Current Customers	
Town of Altona	City of Morden
Altona Rural Water Co-op	RM of Morris
Blumegart Colony	Town of Morris
Town of Carman	Town of Plum Coulee
RM of Dufferin	RM of Rhineland
Town of Emerson	RM of Roland
RM of Franklin	Roseau River First Nation
Town of Gretna	RM of Stanley
RM of Grey	Village of St. Claude
Halbstadt Marais Water Co-op	RM of Thompson
RM of Montcalm	City of Winkler

Details of PVWC's application are available for review at the PVWC'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 Pembina Valley Water Cooperative Inc.

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 PVWC'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: publicutilities@gov.mb.ca on or before **October 4, 2013**.

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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