

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

March 5, 2012

The Town of Rivers (Town) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water rates for 2012 as set out in By-law No. 02-2012 read the first time on February 7, 2012. The existing rates were approved in 2002.

The current and the proposed commodity rates are noted below:

Rates / 1,000 gallons	Current	Proposed	Increase/Decrease
Quarterly Service Charge	\$18.79	\$30.32	61.4%
Water *			
Domestic (up to 20,000 gal's)	\$6.83	\$10.43	52.7%
Intermediate (next 130,000)	\$5.47	\$10.43	90.7%
Wholesale (over 150,000)	\$4.53	\$10.43	130.2%
Sewer	\$3.90	\$3.76	-3.6%
Bulk Water**	\$7.00	\$10.50	50.0%
Minimum Quarterly***	\$50.98	\$72.89	43.0%
Sewer Only (quarterly)	\$33.78	\$35.21	4.2%
Reconnection fee	\$30.00	\$50.00	66.7%
Hydrant rental (annual)	\$100.00	\$125.00	25.0%

\*Elimination of declining block rates

\*\*Minimum charge \$5.25 (previously \$3.50)

\*\*\*Based on 3,000 gallons quarterly

Minimum quarterly charges for various meter sizes are proposed to be as follows:

Meter Size (Inches)	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included (gallons)	Service Charge	Water	Sewer	Minimum Quarterly Charges
3/4	1.0	3,000	\$30.32	\$31.29	\$11.28	\$72.89
1	2.0	6,000	\$30.32	\$62.58	\$22.56	\$115.46
2	12.5	37,500	\$30.32	\$391.13	\$141.00	\$562.45
3	22.5	67,500	\$30.32	\$704.03	\$253.80	\$988.15
4	45.0	135,000	\$30.32	\$1,408.05	\$507.60	\$1,945.97

Questions concerning the application should be addressed to the Town administration. Details of the Town's application are available for review at the Town office.

Any person wishing to make representations to the Board should write **the Public Utilities Board, 400 – 330 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0C4**, or send an email to [publicutilities@gov.mb.ca](mailto:publicutilities@gov.mb.ca), on or before **April 27, 2012**, following which date the Board will decide whether any further notice and/or an oral hearing is necessary.

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 MUNICIPALITY.

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](http://www.pub.gov.mb.ca).

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