



## News Release

August 16, 2010

In Order No. 86/10 dated August 16, 2010, the Public Utilities Board (Board) varied an application by the Rural Municipality of East St. Paul (RM) and established revised water and sewer rates, the increases to be phased in over the next three years.

Existing and revised rates are:

<b>Commodity Rates</b>	<b>Interim</b>	<b>October 1, 2010</b>	<b>July 1, 2011</b>	<b>July 1, 2012</b>
Water per m <sup>3</sup>	\$1.05	\$1.16	\$1.48	\$1.79
Sewer per m <sup>3</sup>	\$1.28	\$1.47	\$1.80	\$2.05
Residential Equivalent Unit (REU)*	\$77.99	\$106.58	\$130.50	\$148.63
Water Quarterly Service Charge	\$12.39	\$7.66	\$7.89	\$8.10
Sewer Quarterly Service Charge	\$6.71	\$9.94	\$10.21	\$10.41
Bulk Water Rate	\$1.27	\$1.27	\$1.52	\$1.83

\*One REU is based on an estimated 290 m<sup>3</sup> usage per year

The Board approved the RM's proposed decrease in the amount of water included in the minimum quarterly billing, that to change from 25 m<sup>3</sup> to 15 m<sup>3</sup> for a 15 mm meter service and also approved the RM's proposed allocations of Residential Equivalent Units (REU). As well, the Board approved the RM's proposals with respect to other miscellaneous charges and fees, that is, except for the annual hydrant rental rate, which will increase from \$100 to \$150 per hydrant (the latter change to take effect in 2011).

The new rates and other changes followed a public hearing held on June 15, 2010, where approximately 100 persons were in attendance.

The Order can be viewed in its entirety on the Board's website: [www.pub.gov.mb.ca](http://www.pub.gov.mb.ca).

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