



## News Release

April 12, 2010

In Order No. 36/10 dated April 12, 2010, the Public Utilities Board (Board) approved on an interim *ex parte* basis new rates for the Town of Minnedosa (Town).

The interim rates, representing an approximate 25% increase to water and sewer commodity rates, are effective immediately and are to be reflected in the billing scheduled for April 2010. Rates were last set by Order 93/07, then too on an interim basis.

Rates are as follows:

Per m <sup>3</sup>	Existing Interim Rates			Revised Interim Rates		
	Water	Sewer	Total	Water	Sewer	Total
Quarterly						
First 100	\$0.79	\$0.46	\$1.25	\$0.99	\$0.58	\$1.57
Next 350	\$0.65	\$0.46	\$1.11	\$0.81	\$0.58	\$1.27
Next 1,800	\$0.51	\$0.21	\$0.71	\$0.64	\$0.26	\$0.90
Special > 2,275	\$0.42	\$0.20	\$0.62	\$0.53	\$0.25	\$0.78
Bulk Rate			\$1.15			\$1.44

The Board's interim approval of these rates is provided on a conditional basis (and without prior public notice), due to the inadequate financial position of the Town's utility and an urgent need for higher revenue.

By this Order, the Town is also required to file a revised rate study with the Board by May 31, 2010. The rate study shall review the now-revised interim rates, provide a view on whether these new rates are appropriate, and also provide such additional information as may be deemed necessary to address various issues outlined in this Order, past Orders of the Board and previously circulated correspondence to the Town.

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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