



News Release

March 7, 2008

In Order No. 16/08 dated March 7, the Public Utilities Board (Board) approved the application of the Town of Altona (Town) for revised water and sewer rates effective April 1, 2008, and January 1, 2009 and 2010 as noted below:

(\$/1,000 gallons)	Existing	Apr. 1 2008	%↑	Jan. 1 2009	%↑	Jan 1 2010	%↑
Water (first 500,000 gallons)	\$9.92	\$10.12	2.0	\$10.32	2.0	\$10.53	2.0
Water (over 500,000 gallons)	\$8.87	\$9.18	3.8	\$9.50	3.7	\$9.81	3.6
Sewer (first 500,000 gallons)	\$2.42	\$2.47	2.0	\$2.52	2.0	\$2.57	2.0
Sewer (over 500,000 gallons)	\$1.88	\$1.98	3.8	\$2.08	3.7	\$2.19	3.6
Service Charge	\$13.18	\$13.44	2.0	\$13.71	2.0	\$13.71	0
Minimum Quarterly Bill (5/8" meter)	\$50.20	\$51.21	2.0	\$52.23	2.0	\$53.01	1.5

The Board also confirmed the interim rates approved on an ex parte basis by the Board in Order No. 39/06 which approved rate increases flowing from increases in the cost of water purchased from the Pembina Valley Water Co-op (Co-op).

The Board noted that these rates include further increases in the cost of water purchased from the Co-op.

The Board was pleased to note that the Town has been able to manage the utility operations in the past with rate increases at about the rate of inflation, and projects it will be able to continue to do so to 2018.

A copy of this Order may be viewed on the Board's website www.pub.gov.mb.ca, or obtained from the Board's Office.

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