



News Release

NOTICE OF DECISION

November 25, 2015

In Board Order No. 124/15, the Public Utilities Board approved on an interim *ex parte* basis, water and sewer rates applied for by the City of Portage la Prairie (City) water and wastewater utility (Utility).

The City's application also included requests for discretionary increases of 1% in 2017 and 2018, as well as discretionary increases of 3% to 5% for 2019 and beyond. The Board denies the request for interim *ex parte* approval of these discretionary increases. The Board will, however, consider these requested discretionary increases when reviewing the application with a more complete process, prior to setting final rates for the City.

The revised rates are to be effective January 1, 2016, 2017 and 2018. The approved rates are shown below.

	Current By-law No. 06-8326 and 12-8562	Approved 2016 By-law No.15-8633	Increase/ Decrease	Approved 2017 By-law No.15-8633	Increase/ Decrease	Approved 2018 By-law No.15-8633	Increase/ Decrease
Quarterly Service Charge	\$19.15	\$19.72	2.98%	\$20.31	2.99%	\$20.92	3.00%
Water (Gallons per quarter) \$/1,000 gal.							
50,000 and less	\$5.42	\$5.58	2.95%	\$5.75	3.05%	\$5.92	2.96%
50,001 to 500,000	\$4.38	\$4.51	2.97%	\$4.69	3.99%	\$4.88	4.05%
500,001 to 4,000,000	\$4.21	\$4.34	3.09%	\$4.47	3.00%	\$4.63	3.58%
Over 4,000,000	\$1.73	\$1.82	5.20%	\$1.91	4.95%	\$2.01	5.24%
Sewer (Gallons per quarter) \$/1,000 gal.							
50,000 and less	\$8.17	\$8.42	3.06%	\$8.67	2.97%	\$8.93	3.00%
50,001 to 500,000	\$8.17	\$8.42	3.06%	\$8.67	2.97%	\$8.93	3.00%
500,001 to 4,000,000	\$5.57	\$5.90	5.92%	\$6.25	5.93%	\$6.63	6.08%
Over 4,000,000	\$5.57	\$5.90	5.92%	\$6.25	5.93%	\$6.63	6.08%
Bulk Water (\$/1,000 gal.)	\$8.09	\$8.33	2.97%	\$8.58	3.00%	\$8.84	3.03%
Hydrant Rental (annual)	\$125.00	\$125.00	0.00%	\$125.00	0.00%	\$125.00	0.00%

Details of other rates may be found in Schedule "A" of Board Order No. 124/15.

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