



**THE ISLAND REGULATORY AND  
APPEALS COMMISSION**

Prince Edward Island  
Île-du-Prince-Édouard  
CANADA

**Docket UW12308  
Order UW06-01**

**IN THE MATTER** of an application by  
the North Rustico Sewer and Water Utility  
Corporation to increase its water rates and  
charges.

**BEFORE THE COMMISSION**

on Thursday, the 2nd day of March, 2006.

Maurice Rodgerson, Chair  
Brian J. McKenna, Vice-Chair  
Weston Rose, Commissioner  
James Carragher, Commissioner

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# Order

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Technical and  
Regulatory Services Division

**IN THE MATTER** of an application by the North Rustico Sewer and Water Utility Corporation to increase its water rates and charges.

# Order

**WHEREAS** the North Rustico Water and Sewer Utility Corporation (the “Utility”), by application filed on September 22, 2005 and as amended December 13, 2005 and January 27, 2006, applied to the Commission for approval to increase its water rates and charges;

**AND WHEREAS** the specifics of the proposed increases are set out below:

## Water

	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
<b>Flat Rate (Unmetered):</b>		
Proportionate Annual Unit	\$ 110.00	\$ 260.00
<b>Metered Rate:</b>		
Customer Charge	\$70.32	\$166.21
Flow Charge (per thousand gallons)	\$0.61	\$1.44

**AND WHEREAS**, following receipt of the Utility’s application, the Commission published a notice in a local newspaper inviting written comments on the proposed application;

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission received one written submission in response to its public Notice;

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission has considered the application of the Utility and supporting information, as well as the public written submission;

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission has, based on a thorough analysis of the application and the Utility’s audited financial statements and projected revenue and expenditure requirements, concluded that:

- increased operating expenditures related to the central water distribution plant, including expenditures for the contracting out of qualified personnel and fees associated with water quality testing, as well as additional costs for ongoing repairs and maintenance of the system, have increased the Utility's overall expenditure levels and result in the need for additional revenue.

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission considers that an annual water rate of \$260.00 per unit, effective with service provided on and after January 1, 2006, is necessary and equitable;

**NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to the *Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission Act* and the *Water and Sewerage Act*;

## **IT IS ORDERED THAT**

1. **The existing Tariff for water services of the North Rustico Utility is revoked and the Tariff appended to, and forming part of, this Order is substituted therefor; and**
2. **The appended Tariff is approved and declared effective on January 1, 2006 and shall remain in effect until otherwise ordered by the Commission.**

**DATED** at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, this 2nd day of March, 2006.

### **BY THE COMMISSION:**

(Sgd) Maurice Rodgerson

Maurice Rodgerson, Chair

(Sgd) Brian J. McKenna

Brian J. McKenna, Vice-Chair

(Sgd) Weston Rose

Weston Rose, Commissioner

(Sgd) James Carragher

James Carragher, Commissioner

## NOTICE

Section 12 of the *Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission Act* reads as follows:

*12. The Commission may, in its absolute discretion, review, rescind or vary any order or decision made by it or rehear any application before deciding it.*

Parties to this proceeding seeking a review of the Commission's decision or order in this matter may do so by filing with the Commission, at the earliest date, a written **Request for Review**, which clearly states the reasons for the review and the nature of the relief sought.

Sections 13.(1) and 13(2) of the *Act* provide as follows:

*13.(1) An appeal lies from a decision or order of the Commission to the Appeal Division of the Supreme Court upon a question of law or jurisdiction.*

*(2) The appeal shall be made by filing a notice of appeal in the Supreme Court within twenty days after the decision or order appealed from and the Civil Procedure Rules respecting appeals apply with the necessary changes.*

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# **North Rustico Sewer & Water Utility Corporation**

## **WATER TARIFF**

THIS TARIFF SPECIFIES THE RATES AND CHARGES APPLICABLE  
TO SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE **NORTH RUSTICO  
SEWER AND WATER UTILITY CORPORATION**

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE TYPES OF SERVICES  
AND MANNER IN WHICH SUCH SERVICES ARE PROVIDED  
ARE CONTAINED IN **THE PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND  
MUNICIPAL WATER AND SEWERAGE UTILITIES  
GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**Effective: January 1, 2006**

# Water Service Rates & Charges

**Application:** The following annual rates and charges apply to water services provided to premises served or capable of being served by the North Rustico Sewer and Water Utility Corporation.

## **Flat Rate**

### **(Unmetered):**

For each unmetered customer the sum of:

- A. a customer charge of \$166.20; and
- B. a demand charge of \$93.80 per proportionate demand unit calculated in accordance with the Proportionate Demand Charges contained on page 2 of this Tariff.

**Metered Service:** For each metered customer the sum of:

- A. a customer charge of \$166.20; and
- B. a flow charge of \$1.44 per thousand gallons.

**Minimum Bill:** The minimum bill to any customer shall be the applicable customer and demand charges.

## **Fire Protection**

### **Charge:**

Per Hydrant - \$435.37 per annum.

# Proportionate Demand Charges

TYPE OF CUSTOMER	UNIT VALUE	ANNUAL DEMAND CHARGE	TYPE OF CUSTOMER	UNIT VALUE	ANNUAL DEMAND CHARGE
SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING	1.00	\$93.80	DOCTORS' & DENTISTS' OFFICES AND BEAUTY & BARBER SHOPS		
INDIVIDUAL APARTMENT	0.80	\$75.04	With Separate Service	1.00	\$93.80
MOBILE HOME	0.70	\$65.66	Combined With Other Service	0.50	\$46.90
SENIOR CITIZENS HOME, Per Uni	0.60	\$56.28	LAUNDROMAT WITH MACHINES USING OVER 30 GALLONS PER WASH		
CONVENT, INSTITUTIONAL DORMITORY, ROOMING OR BOARDING HOUSE			For First Machine	3.00	\$281.40
For Up to Five Persons	1.00	\$93.80	For Second Machine	2.00	\$187.60
For Each Additional Person	0.20	\$18.76	For Each Additional Machine	1.00	\$93.80
MOTELS AND TOURIST COTTAGES			LAUNDROMAT WITH MACHINES USING 30 OR FEWER GALLONS PER WASH		
With Housekeeping Facilities, Each Unit	0.50	\$46.90	For First Machine	2.00	\$187.60
With Bathroom Facilities Only, Each Unit	0.30	\$28.14	For Second Machine	1.50	\$140.70
TOURIST HOME			For Each Additional Machine	0.75	\$70.35
For First Bathroom	1.00	\$93.80	SERVICE STATION		
For Each Additional Bathroom or Washroom	0.30	\$28.14	Without Carwash	1.00	\$93.80
HOSPITAL			With Carwash	2.00	\$187.60
Without Laundry Facilities, Per Bed	0.50	\$46.90	RESTAURANTS AND SNACK BARS	1.00	\$93.80
With Laundry Facilities, Per Bed	0.75	\$70.35	For Each Ten Seats an Additional Amount of	0.25	\$23.45
SCHOOLS, Per Classroom	1.00	\$93.80	PREMISES LICENSED BY THE P.E.I. LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION:		
STORES, BANKS, CLUBS, CHURCHES, HALLS, RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND PLACES OF BUSINESS			Restaurant, Lounge, Dining Room or Club	1.00	\$93.80
For First Washroom Facility	1.00	\$93.80	SEAT CHARGE: Calculate 75% of Fire Marshal's rating OR the actual seat count then charge, for each five seats, an additional amount of	0.25	\$23.45
For Each Additional Toilet or Urinal	0.50	\$46.90	DRIVE-IN RESTAURANT OR THEATRE		
			With Canteen	1.00	\$93.80
			For First Washroom and Toilet Facility	1.00	\$93.80
			For Each Additional Washroom and Toilet Facility	0.50	\$46.90