



Docket UW24304
Order UW13-03

IN THE MATTER of an
application by the Mount Stewart Sewerage
Disposal Utility for an increase of wastewater
rates and charges.

**BEFORE THE
COMMISSION**

on Friday, the 22nd day of February, 2013

Allan Rankin, Vice-Chair
John Broderick, Commissioner
Leonard Gallant, Commissioner

Order

Compared and Certified a True Copy

(Sgd) *Heather Walker*

Technical and Regulatory Services

IN THE MATTER of an
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rates and charges.

Order

WHEREAS the Mount Stewart Sewerage Disposal Utility (the “Utility”), by application filed on December 14, 2012, applied to the Commission for an increase in its Tariff of wastewater rates and charges;

AND WHEREAS, specifically, the Utility requested approval to increase its flat rate from \$119.00 per unit, per year to \$318.92 per unit, per year, and to increase its annual frontage rate from \$0.58 to \$1.58 per lineal foot, effective January 1, 2013;

AND WHEREAS following receipt of the application, the Commission published a Notice in the local newspapers inviting written comments on the Utility’s proposal;

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

AND WHEREAS the Commission, following a review of the application and the Utility’s financial statements, has concluded that increased costs overall, including higher debt servicing expenses and certified plant operator fees, have resulted in the need for additional revenue;

AND WHEREAS it further appears to the Commission that the Tariff of Rates and Charges approved herein 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. Mount Stewart Sewerage Disposal Utility's existing wastewater Tariff is revoked and the Tariff appended to, and forming part of, this Order is substituted therefore; and
2. the appended Tariff is approved and declared effective on January 1, 2013 and shall remain in effect until otherwise ordered by the Commission.

DATED at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, this 22nd day of February, 2013.

BY THE COMMISSION:

(Sgd) Allan Rankin

Allan Rankin, Vice-Chair

(Sgd) John Broderick

John Broderick, Commissioner

(Sgd) Leonard Gallant

Leonard Gallant, 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), 13(2), 13(3), and 13(4) of the *Act* provide as follows:

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

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

(3) The Commission shall be deemed to be a party to the appeal.

(4) No costs shall be payable by any party to an appeal under this section unless the Court of Appeal, in its discretion, for special reasons, so orders

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Mount Stewart Sewerage Disposal Utility

SEWER TARIFF

THIS TARIFF SPECIFIES THE RATES AND CHARGES APPLICABLE
TO SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE **MOUNT STEWART SEWERAGE
DISPOSAL UTILITY**

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

Effective: January 1, 2013

Sewer Rates and Charges

Application: The following rates and charges apply to wastewater services provided to all premises served or capable of being served by the Mount Stewart Sewerage Disposal Utility.

Rates: \$318.00 per unit per annum in accordance with the appended Proportionate Sewer Charges.

Frontage Charge: A foot frontage charge of one dollar and fifty-five cents (\$1.55) per lineal foot per annum shall apply to all land adjacent to streets, roads or highways on which there are no buildings or structures or where sanitary disposal service is not required but which land is capable of being served by the existing facilities of the sewerage utility.

In the case of premises billed under the appended Proportionate Sewer Charges, an exemption of ten (10) feet frontage for each one-tenth of a unit will be allowed. In the case of corner lots with sewerage facilities on both sides, the foot frontage charge will be applied to the full frontage on the longest side, and the full frontage less one hundred (100) feet on the other side (less allowable exemption, if any).

Proportionate Sewer Charges

TYPE OF CUSTOMER	UNIT VALUE	ANNUAL SEWER CHARGE	TYPE OF CUSTOMER	UNIT VALUE	ANNUAL SEWER CHARGE
SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING	1.00	\$318.00	DOCTORS' & DENTISTS' OFFICES AND BEAUTY & BARBER SHOPS		
INDIVIDUAL APARTMENT	0.80	\$254.40	With Separate Service	1.00	\$318.00
MOBILE HOME	0.70	\$222.60	Combined With Other Service	0.50	\$159.00
SENIOR CITIZENS HOME, Per Unit	0.60	\$190.80	LAUNDROMAT WITH MACHINES USING OVER 30 GALLONS PER WASH		
CONVENT, INSTITUTIONAL DORMITORY, ROOMING OR BOARDING HOUSE			For First Machine	3.00	\$954.00
For Up to Five Persons	1.00	\$318.00	For Second Machine	2.00	\$636.00
For Each Additional Person	0.20	\$63.60	For Each Additional Machine	1.00	\$318.00
MOTELS AND TOURIST COTTAGES			LAUNDROMAT WITH MACHINES USING 30 OR FEWER GALLONS PER WASH		
With Housekeeping Facilities, Each Unit	0.50	\$159.00	For First Machine	2.00	\$636.00
With Bathroom Facilities Only, Each Unit	0.30	\$95.40	For Second Machine	1.50	\$477.00
TOURIST HOME			For Each Additional Machine	0.75	\$238.50
For First Bathroom	1.00	\$318.00	SERVICE STATION		
For Each Additional Bathroom or Washroom	0.30	\$95.40	Without Carwash	1.00	\$318.00
HOSPITAL			With Carwash	2.00	\$636.00
Without Laundry Facilities, Per Bed	0.50	\$159.00	RESTAURANTS AND SNACK BARS	1.00	\$318.00
With Laundry Facilities, Per Bed	0.75	\$238.50	For Each Ten Seats an Additional Amount of	0.25	\$79.50
SCHOOLS, Per Classroom	1.00	\$318.00	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	\$318.00
For First Washroom Facility	1.00	\$318.00	SEAT CHARGE: Calculate 75% of Fire Marshal's rating OR Based on actual seat count, charge, for each five seats, an additional amount of	0.25	\$79.50
For Each Additional Toilet or Urinal	0.50	\$159.00	DRIVE-IN RESTAURANT OR THEATRE		
			With Canteen	1.00	\$318.00
			For First Washroom and Toilet Facility	1.00	\$318.00
			For Each Additional Washroom and Toilet Facility	0.50	\$159.00