



Docket UW18303  
Order UW20-02

**IN THE MATTER** of the *Water  
and Sewerage Act*, R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap W-2 and  
the *Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission  
Act*, R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. I-11;

**AND IN THE MATTER**  
of an application by the Georgetown Collection and  
Treatment Corporation for approval to increase  
annual sewer rates and charges.

**BEFORE THE COMMISSION**  
on Tuesday, the 1st day of December, 2020

J. Scott MacKenzie, QC, Chair  
M. Douglas Clow, Vice-Chair  
Erin T. Mitchell, Commissioner

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WHEREAS the Georgetown Sewage Collection and  
Treatment Corporation (the “Utility” or “Georgetown”) filed an  
application with the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission  
(the “Commission”) for approval to increase annual sewer rates  
and charges;

AND WHEREAS the Commission posted details  
of the application on its website and published a Notice in the  
local newspapers inviting written feedback;

AND WHEREAS no comments were received in  
response to the Utility's proposal;

AND WHEREAS the Commission conducted a  
review of Georgetown's application, including financial  
projections, and has determined that an increase in sewer rates  
will allow the Utility to meet its operating expenditures;

AND WHEREAS it appears to the Commission  
that the tariff of sewer rates and charges approved herein is  
necessary and equitable;

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

## IT IS ORDERED THAT

1. The sewer rate tariff of the Georgetown Sewage Collection and Treatment Corporation, as set out in Schedule 1, annexed hereto and forming part of this Order, is approved and declared effective as of September 1, 2020, and shall remain in effect until otherwise ordered by the Commission.

**DATED** at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, this 1st day of December, 2020.

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

(Sgd) J. Scott MacKenzie

J. Scott MacKenzie, QC, Chair

(Sgd) M. Douglas Clow

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## 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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# SEWER RATE TARIFF

## **Georgetown Sewage Collection and Treatment Corporation**

**Effective: September 1, 2020**

This rate tariff is issued pursuant to Commission Order UW20-02 and specifies the rates and charges applicable to sanitary sewer services provided by the **GEORGETOWN SEWAGE COLLECTION AND TREATMENT 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 SEWERAGE UTILITIES GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**.

# Sewer Rates & Charges

## Application:

Annual rates and charges apply to sewerage services provided to all premises served, or capable of being served, by the Georgetown Sewage Collection and Treatment Corporation.

## Flat Rate:

The single dwelling unit charge is **\$262.00 per year**. Relative unit costs for other services are approved in accordance with the *Proportionate Sewer Charges* on page 3 of this tariff.

## Frontage Charge:

**Vacant Land** – A frontage charge of **\$1.65 per lineal foot, per year**, applies to all land adjacent to streets, roads or highways on which there are no buildings or structures but which land is capable of being served by the sewerage Utility.

**Developed Land** – A frontage charge of **\$1.65 per lineal foot, per year**, applies to all land adjacent to streets, roads or highways which has been developed with a building or structure and is capable of being served by the sewerage Utility, **LESS an exemption of ten (10) feet of frontage for each one-tenth of a unit billed** under the *Proportionate Sewer Charges* on page 3 of this tariff.

**Corner Lots** – In the case of corner lots with sewerage facilities on both sides, a frontage charge of **\$1.65 per lineal foot, per year**, applies to the full frontage on the longest side, and the full frontage less one hundred (100) feet on the other side, **LESS any allowable exemption for developed land**.

# Proportionate Sewer Charges

TYPE OF CUSTOMER	UNIT VALUE	ANNUAL SEWER CHARGE	TYPE OF CUSTOMER	UNIT VALUE	ANNUAL SEWER CHARGE
SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING	1.00	\$262.00	DOCTORS' & DENTISTS' OFFICES AND BEAUTY & BARBER SHOPS		
INDIVIDUAL APARTMENT	0.80	\$209.60	With Separate Service	1.00	\$262.00
MOBILE HOME	0.70	\$183.40	Combined With Other Service	0.50	\$131.00
SENIOR CITIZENS HOME, Per Unit	0.60	\$157.20	LAUNDROMAT WITH MACHINES USING OVER 30 GALLONS PER WASH		
CONVENT, INSTITUTIONAL DORMITORY, ROOMING OR BOARDING HOUSE			For First Machine	3.00	\$786.00
For Up to Five Persons	1.00	\$262.00	For Second Machine	2.00	\$524.00
For Each Additional Person	0.20	\$52.40	For Each Additional Machine	1.00	\$262.00
MOTELS AND TOURIST COTTAGES			LAUNDROMAT WITH MACHINES USING 30 OR FEWER GALLONS PER WASH		
With Housekeeping Facilities, Each Unit	0.50	\$131.00	For First Machine	2.00	\$524.00
With Bathroom Facilities Only, Each Unit	0.30	\$78.60	For Second Machine	1.50	\$393.00
TOURIST HOME			For Each Additional Machine	0.75	\$196.50
For First Bathroom	1.00	\$262.00	SERVICE STATION		
For Each Additional Bathroom or Washroom	0.30	\$78.60	Without Carwash	1.00	\$262.00
HOSPITAL			With Carwash	2.00	\$524.00
Without Laundry Facilities, Per Bed	0.50	\$131.00	RESTAURANTS AND SNACK BARS	1.00	\$262.00
With Laundry Facilities, Per Bed	0.75	\$196.50	For Each Ten Seats and Additional Amount of	0.25	\$65.50
SCHOOLS, Per Classroom	1.00	\$262.00	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	\$262.00
For First Washroom Facility	1.00	\$262.00	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	\$65.50
For Each Additional Toilet or Urinal	0.50	\$131.00	DRIVE-IN RESTAURANT OR THEATRE		
CAMPGROUNDS, Per Campsite	0.10	\$26.20	With Canteen	1.00	\$262.00
			For First Washroom and Toilet Facility	1.00	\$262.00
			For Each Additional Washroom and Toilet Facility	0.50	\$131.00

# Sanitary Sewage Surcharge

## Application:

In cases where any customer of the Utility discharges a sewage effluent into the sanitary sewer system which is excessively strong or where the suspended solids or fat and grease components are excessively high, the Utility may determine by sample testing and such other means as may be available, the degree of excessive contamination and require the customer to pay an additional surcharge in accordance with the concentration of the suspended solids and fat and grease proportions as set forth below.

## Surcharge:

### Suspended Solids

For any liquid matter discharged which contains suspended solids exceeding three hundred (300) parts per million by weight, the sewer charge will be increased as follows:

PPM	Sewer Charge Increase
300 – 450	20%
451 – 550	40%
551 – 650	60%
651 – 750	80%
Over 750	100%

### Fats and Grease Content

For matter discharged which contains more than one hundred (100) parts per million by weight of fat, oil or grease of animal or vegetable origin, the sewer charge will be increased as follows:

PPM	Sewer Charge Increase
100 – 200	20%
201 – 300	40%
301 – 400	60%
401 – 500	80%
Over 500	100%