



Docket UW14303  
Order UW21-02

**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 Miscouche Sewage  
Collection and Treatment Corporation for approval  
to increase annual sewer rates and charges.

**BEFORE THE  
COMMISSION**

on Monday, the 22nd day of February, 2021

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

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# Order

Compared and Certified a True Copy  
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**WHEREAS** the Miscouche Sewage Collection and Treatment Corporation (the “Utility” or “Miscouche”) filed an application with the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission (the “Commission”) for approval to increase annual sewer rates and charges, effective January 1, 2021;

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

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

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission upon consideration of the Utility's submission has determined that an increase in sewer rates is necessary to enable the Utility to meet its operating costs;

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission has also determined that, based on the financial projections reviewed under this filing, further increased rates are needed to allow the Utility to recover its cumulative deficit and regain a positive financial position;

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

**AND WHEREAS** it also appears to the Commission that the Utility will need another rate increase in the near future to address the cumulative deficit;

**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 Miscouche Sewage Collection and Treatment Corporation, as set out in schedule 1 annexed hereto and forming part of this Order, is approved and declared effective on January 1, 2021 and shall remain in effect until otherwise ordered by the Commission; and
2. The Utility shall file with the Commission, by November 30, 2021, a subsequent rate increase proposal for effect January 1, 2022, which will further address the Utility's cumulative deficit.

**DATED** at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, this 22nd day of February, 2021.

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

(Sgd) J. Scott MacKenzie

J. Scott MacKenzie, QC, Chair

(Sgd) M. Douglas Clow

M. Douglas Clow, Vice-Chair

(Sgd) Erin T. Mitchell

Erin T. Mitchell, 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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# SEWER RATE TARIFF

## Miscouche Sewage Collection and Treatment Corporation

**Effective: January 1, 2021**

This rate tariff is issued pursuant to Commission Order UW21-02 and specifies the rates and charges applicable to services provided by the **MISCOUCHE 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**.

### Sanitary Sewage Rates and Charges

#### Application:

Rates and charges apply to sanitary sewage services provided to premises served, or capable of being served, by the Miscouche Sewage Collection and Treatment Corporation.

#### Rate:

**\$220.00** per unit, per year, in accordance with the *Proportionate Sewage Charges* on page 2 of this tariff.

# Proportionate Sewage Charges

TYPE OF CUSTOMER	UNIT VALUE	ANNUAL SEWAGE CHARGE	TYPE OF CUSTOMER	UNIT VALUE	ANNUAL SEWAGE CHARGE
SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING	1.00	\$220.00	DOCTORS' & DENTISTS' OFFICES AND BEAUTY & BARBER SHOPS		
INDIVIDUAL APARTMENT	0.80	\$176.00	With Separate Service	1.00	\$220.00
MOBILE HOME	0.70	\$154.00	Combined With Other Service	0.50	\$110.00
SENIOR CITIZENS HOME, Per Unit	0.60	\$132.00	LAUNDROMAT WITH MACHINES USING OVER 30 GALLONS PER WASH		
CONVENT, INSTITUTIONAL DORMITORY, ROOMING OR BOARDING HOUSE			For First Machine	3.00	\$660.00
For Up to Five Persons	1.00	\$220.00	For Second Machine	2.00	\$440.00
For Each Additional Person	0.20	\$44.00	For Each Additional Machine	1.00	\$220.00
MOTELS AND TOURIST COTTAGES			LAUNDROMAT WITH MACHINES USING 30 OR FEWER GALLONS PER WASH		
With Housekeeping Facilities, Each Unit	0.50	\$110.00	For First Machine	2.00	\$440.00
With Bathroom Facilities Only, Each Unit	0.30	\$66.00	For Second Machine	1.50	\$330.00
TOURIST HOME			For Each Additional Machine	0.75	\$165.00
For First Bathroom	1.00	\$220.00	SERVICE STATION		
For Each Additional Bathroom or Washroom	0.30	\$66.00	Without Carwash	1.00	\$220.00
HOSPITAL			With Carwash	2.00	\$440.00
Without Laundry Facilities, Per Bed	0.50	\$110.00	RESTAURANTS AND SNACK BARS	1.00	\$220.00
With Laundry Facilities, Per Bed	0.75	\$165.00	For Each Ten Seats an Additional Amount of	0.25	\$55.00
SCHOOLS, Per Classroom	1.00	\$220.00	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	\$220.00
For First Washroom Facility	1.00	\$220.00	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	\$55.00
For Each Additional Toilet or Urinal	0.50	\$110.00	DRIVE-IN RESTAURANT OR THEATRE		
			With Canteen	1.00	\$220.00
			For First Washroom and Toilet Facility	1.00	\$220.00
			For Each Additional Washroom and Toilet Facility	0.50	\$110.00