



Owen Sound

UTILITY RATE INCREASES FOR 2006/2007

Council has approved a rate increase for water of 5 % overall and an increase to the sewage surcharge rate from 90 percent (%) of the total water charges to 92.5 percent (%).

The new Water Rates will take effect with all bills issued after May 1, 2006 and the new Sewage Surcharge rate increase will take effect July 1, 2006.

For the fourth year in a row, the largest share of the increase in water rates is being placed on the consumption part of the billing. Although the overall rate increase is 5 percent (%), Council has decided to achieve this increase by increasing the consumption rate by 7 percent (%) and by increasing the monthly service charge rate by only 2.5 percent (%). Distributing the overall rate increase in this fashion will ensure there will be a continued shift in cost for utilities from the smaller consumer over to the larger consumer.

Rural Consumers:

Rural consumers will continue to pay double the rates that are charged to City consumers.

Please call (Ms) Kelly Maw of our Utility Billing Department at 376 – 4440 (Ext 243) if you would like to receive more detailed information about our new rates.



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Effective May 1, 2006

2006 – 2007 Water/Waste Water Rates

Service Charges

Water Meter Diameter		Monthly Service Charge
15mm	5/8in	\$ 17.99
18mm	3/4in	\$ 21.88
25mm	1 in	\$ 28.34
38mm	1 1/2in	\$ 41.36
50mm	2 in	\$ 80.41
75mm	3 in	\$132.43
100mm	4 in	\$197.47
150mm	6 in	\$262.50
200mm	8 in	\$392.58

Consumption Charges

Block #	1	2	3	4
Block Limit	1 st 10m	Nxt 100	Nxt 1000	Bal
Rate per M3	\$0.539	\$0.549	\$0.608	\$0.617

Note: 1 cubic meter = 220 gallons

All rates are for Urban Customers. **Rates for Rural Customers are double the amounts shown above.**

The monthly service charge will constitute a minimum bill during a month without water consumption.

Sewage Charges

Effective July 1, 2006 City Council has increased the sewage rate from 90% to **92.5%** of our customers total water bill.