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RATES FOR METERED SERVICE

AVAILABILITY

These rates are available to all customers located on the mains of the Company in the corporate limits of the Town of Milford for all purposes except fire service, subject to the RULES AND REGULATIONS of the MILFORD WATER COMPANY.

QUARTERLY METER RATES

Charges for water sold quarterly will be the sum of the Quarterly Service Charge by meter size PLUS a volumetric charge based on the following rate(s) per hundred cubic feet.

	<u>Per Hundred Cubic Feet</u>
For residential users:	
First 4,800 cubic feet per quarter	\$ 2.020
Over 4,800 cubic feet per quarter	\$ 3.030
For all other users for all water used	\$ 2.020

Quarterly Charge per Meter:

<u>Size of Meter (Inches)</u>	<u>Service Charge Per Quarter</u>
5/8	\$ 16.89
3/4	\$ 17.97
1	\$ 21.20
1 1/2	\$ 25.50
2	\$ 37.30
3	\$ 125.00
4	\$ 157.00
6	\$ 232.00
8	\$ 318.00
10	\$ 404.00
12	\$ 491.00

Terms of Payment:

The Company may render bills on either a quarterly or monthly basis. The above rates are payable within forty-five (45) days of the date of the bill.

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RATES FOR METERED SERVICE (continued)

CONTRACTORS RATE

Contractors requiring water service shall file a written application to the Company and shall pay all costs of making a hydrant connection or other connections to the water system, including the cost of installing a water meter and will, in addition, pay for water at the established rates. The Company reserves the right to collect estimated connection costs and one month's service charge before turning on the water.

Terms of Payment:

The Company may render bills on either a quarterly or monthly basis. The above rates are payable within forty-five (45) days of the date of the bill.

RATES FOR METERED SERVICE (continued)

AVAILABILITY

These rates are available to all customers located on the mains of the Company in the corporate limits of the Town of Milford for all purposes except fire service, subject to the RULES AND REGULATIONS of the MILFORD WATER COMPANY.

MONTHLY METER RATES

Charges for water sold monthly will be the sum of the Monthly Service Charge by meter size PLUS a volumetric charge based on the following rate(s) per hundred cubic feet.

	<u>Per Hundred Cubic Feet</u>
For all water used by non-residential customers	\$ 2.020

Monthly Service Charge Per Meter:

<u>Size of Meter (Inches)</u>	<u>Service Charge Per Month</u>
5/8	\$ 9.72
3/4	\$ 10.07
1	\$ 11.15
1 1/2	\$ 12.60
2	\$ 16.50
3	\$ 46.00
4	\$ 56.00
6	\$ 81.00
8	\$ 110.00
10	\$ 139.00
12	\$ 168.00

Terms of Payment:

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RATES FOR PUBLIC FIRE SERVICE

AVAILABILITY

These rates are available to the Town of Milford for Public fire service only, and in accordance with the RULES AND REGULATIONS of the MILFORD WATER COMPANY.

RATES

Charges will be the sum of (1) an annual lump sum amount and (2) a hydrant rental for each public hydrant in service.

Lump sum amount for fire flow capacity provided to public fire hydrants in Milford	\$ 292,973
Rental for each public fire hydrant in service	\$ 132.00

TERMS OF PAYMENT

Bills would be rendered periodically and are due and payable within forty-five (45) days of the date of the bill.

SPECIAL PROVISION

A charge of \$100.00 will be made for each unauthorized use of a public fire hydrant.

RATES FOR PRIVATE FIRE SERVICE

AVAILABILITY

These rates are available to customers located on the mains of the Company inside of the corporate limits of the Town of Milford, for Private Fire Service (Sprinkler Service and Private Hydrant Service) subject to the RULES AND REGULATIONS of the MILFORD WATER COMPANY. The total cost of installing fire service connections shall be borne by the customer.

RATES

For each 2" or smaller service connection	\$ 18.24
For each 4" service connection	\$ 112.68
For each 6" service connection	\$ 327.24
For each 8" service connection	\$ 697.32
For each 10" service connection	\$ 1,254.12
For each 12" service connection	\$ 2,025.72
For each private hydrant connected to the mains of the Water Company	\$ 327.24

TERMS OF PAYMENT

Bills shall be rendered quarterly or monthly subject to the billing period for the private fire customer's metered water service, or if none, then as determined by the Company. The above rates are net and due and payable within forty-five (45) days of the date of the bill.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- (a) All water shall be used for fire protection purposes only.
- (b) The Company reserves the right, if water is used in violation of (a) above, to install a meter on the connection at any time which will meet the requirements of the fire insurance companies. In the event a meter is installed, the established meter rates, including both water and minimum charges, will apply in addition to the above rates for Private Fire Protection.
- (c) A charge of \$250.00 will be made for each unauthorized use of private fire facilities for each event.

RATES TO OTHER WATER UTILITIES

AVAILABILITY

These rates are available only to other water utilities in the sole discretion of the Milford Water Company and all such service shall be subject to the RULES AND REGULATIONS of the MILFORD WATER COMPANY in all regards.

GENERAL WATER SERVICE RATES

Charges for water sold will be the sum of the Service Charge by meter size PLUS a volumetric charge based on the following rate(s) per hundred cubic feet:

	<u>Per Hundred Cubic Feet</u>
For all water used	\$ 3.030

Service Charge Per Meter:

<u>Size of Meter (Inches)</u>	<u>Service Charge Per Month</u>	<u>Service Charge Per Quarter</u>
3	\$ 46.00	\$ 125.00
4	\$ 56.00	\$ 157.00
6	\$ 81.00	\$ 232.00
8	\$ 110.00	\$ 318.00
10	\$ 139.00	\$ 404.00
12	\$ 168.00	\$ 491.00

FIRE SERVICE RATES

For each fire hydrant supplied with water by the Milford Water Company the charge will be the same as the charge for private hydrant.

TERMS OF PAYMENT

Bills will be rendered quarterly or monthly, as determined by the Company and are due and payable within forty-five (45) days of the date of the bill.

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LOW-INCOME RATES FOR METERED SERVICE

AVAILABILITY

These rates are available to all residential customers located on the mains of the company in the corporate limits of the Town of Milford, for all purposes except fire service, subject to the RULES AND REGULATIONS of the MILFORD WATER COMPANY that fulfill the following requirements:

1. the applicant must be the owner of the residential property;
2. the applicant must reside in the property;
3. the property must be a single-family property;
4. the applicant must be 65 years of age or older;
5. the applicant must be receiving Supplemental Security Income, or be 70 years of age or older and be receiving a property tax exemption under G.L. c. 59, § 5, Clause 41, 41B or 41c; and
6. the applicant must not have any child greater than 19 years of age living within the property.

QUARTERLY METER RATES

Charges for water sold quarterly will be the sum of the Quarterly Service Charge by meter size PLUS a volumetric charge based on the following rate(s) per hundred cubic feet:

	<u>Per Hundred Cubic Feet</u>
First 4,800 cubic feet per quarter	\$ 1.616
Over 4,800 cubic feet per quarter	\$ 2.424

Quarterly Charges per Meter:

<u>Size of Meter (Inches)</u>	<u>Service Charge Per Quarter</u>
5/8	\$ 13.51
3/4	\$ 14.38
1	\$ 16.96
1 1/2	\$ 20.40

TERMS OF PAYMENT

Bills shall be rendered quarterly. The above rates are net and due and payable within forty-five (45) days of the date of the bill.

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SURCHARGE FOR WATER PURCHASED

This schedule establishes the procedure to be followed for adjusting, on an annual basis, the Company's metered rate schedules in order to account for price differentials between the Company's metered service rates and the cost of water purchased from other water systems under emergency conditions.

The calculation of the surcharge for water purchased ("SWP") is as follows:

$$\text{Surcharge per CCF} = \frac{(C - (Qa \times Ra))}{Q}$$

Where C = Cost of water purchased from all sources other than Clarks Island Well Station during previous calendar year, provided such cost exceeds 1.5 percent of the Company's gross revenues from water sales as reported in the same period

Q = Volume of water sold to metered rate customers during previous calendar year

Qa = Volume of water purchased from sources other than Clarks Island Well Station during previous calendar year

Ra = Metered service volumetric rate in effect during previous calendar year, as defined below

For purposes of the SWP, gross revenues from water sales shall represent the sum of Accounts 501 through 505 as defined by the Department's Uniform System of Accounts for Water Companies pursuant to 220 C.M.R. § 52.00 et seq.

For purposes of the SWP, the metered service volumetric rate shall consist of the average volumetric rate (excluding any SWP revenues) applicable to the Company's (1) Rates for Metered Service, (2) Low-Income Rates for Metered Service, and (3) Rates to Other Water Utilities, weighted by the volume of sales to each of these rate classes during the previous calendar year.

Any remaining over- or under-collection of SWP revenues shall be passed back or collected from customers in the following manner:

SURCHARGE FOR WATER PURCHASED (continued)

- (1) If a SWP charge is applicable in a given year, any over- or under-collection resulting from the previous year's application of the SWP shall be passed back or collected from customers through adding the outstanding over- or under-collection to the "C" component of the SWP formula.
- (2) If no SWP charge is applicable in a given year, any over- or under-collection resulting from the previous year's application of the SWP shall be passed back or collected from customers through a true-up adjustment on customer's bills issued after April 1 of the following year. The amount of such credit or surcharge will be determined by dividing the outstanding balance by the Company's total revenues received through the customer service charge component for the previous year to develop a percentage factor, that in turn will be applied to the Company's then-current customer service charge to derive a customer surcharge or credit based on meter size.

The Company shall submit its proposed SWP factor to the Department no later than February 15 of each year, along with all supporting documentation. Unless otherwise ordered by the Department, the SWP factor will become effective on all billings rendered on and after April 1 of the same year, through March 31 of the following year. The operation of the SWP factor is subject to all powers of suspension and investigation vested in the Department pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 94 and G.L. c. 165, § 2.

The Company will notify customers in simple terms of changes to the SWP, including the nature of the change and the manner in which the SWP is applied to customer bills. The Company will submit this notice for Department approval at the time of each SWP filing.

OTHER SERVICES

The Company may impose additional miscellaneous charges and fees for services rendered as specified in Appendix A to the Company's Rules and Regulations.