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Public Utility Commission of Texas Attn: Central Records 1701 N. Congress Avenue PO Box 13326 Austin Texas 78711-3326

Subject: PWS ID#0740019; Tariff Revision, Rate Change

Please find enclosed a modification to our tariff under Section G. Rates and Service Fees (page 39-40). Our Board of Directors approved a rate increase on August 25, 2022, as outlined in the modified tariff pages enclosed. This rate increase will begin on February 24, 2023.

Thank you,

Board Of Directors Arledge Ridge Water Supply Corporation

Alan McDonald (President) Ken Martin (Secretary-Treasurer) Mike Hartley (Director) John Anderson (Director) Pete Slaughter (Director) Steve Collida (Director)

- c. Standard and Non-Standard Service Installations shall include all costs of any pipeline relocations as per Section E. of this Tariff.
- **11.** *Late Payment Fee.* Once per billing period, a penalty of \$20.00, shall be applied to delinquent bills. This late payment penalty shall not be applied to any balance to which the penalty was applied in a previous billing period, but shall be applied to any unpaid balance during the current billing period. NOTE: The Corporation cannot charge political subdivisions and state agencies the late payment fee. (Texas Government Code Chapter 2251.021 and Sec. E. 13.)
- **12.** *Membership Fee.* At the time the application for service is approved, a refundable Membership Fee must be paid for each service requested before service shall be provided or reserved for the Applicant by the Corporation. The membership fee cannot be more than 12 times the minimum monthly base rate.
 - a. The Membership Fee for water service is \$100.00 for each service unit.
 - b. Membership fee for oversized or Master Metered Accounts shall be based on multiples of meter size equivalence. (See Chart in Subsection 14 below.)
- **13.** *Meter Tampering and Damage to Property Penalty.* In addition to the Equipment Damage Fee, the Corporation may charge a penalty for "Tampering" as defined in Section E. 22. The penalty may only be assessed against the person who committed the Tampering. The penalty cannot be assessed against the Member for the Tampering committed by their tenant. The penalty shall not exceed six (6) times the Base Rate.

14. Monthly Charges.

a. Base Rate

 Water Service - The monthly charge for standard metered water service is for a 5/8" X 3/4" meter. The 5/8" X 3/4" meter charge is used as a base multiplier for larger non-standard meters in accordance with the following chart based on American Water Works Association maximum continuous flow specifications:

| Meter Size | 5/8" x 3/4"Meter Equivalents | Monthly Rate |
|-------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| 5/8" x 3/4" | 1.0 | \$32.50 |
| 3/4" | 1.5 | \$32.50 |
| 1" | 2.5 | \$65.00 |
| 1 1/2" | 5.0 | \$162.50 |
| 2" | 8.0 | \$260.00 |
| 3" DISP | 9.0 | \$292.50 |
| 3" CMPD | 16.0 | \$520.00 |
| 3" TURB | 17.5 | \$568.75 |
| 4" CMPD | 25.0 | \$812.50 |
| 4" TURB | 30.0 | \$975.00 |
| 6" CMPD | 50.0 | \$1625.00 |
| 6" TURB | 62.5 | \$2031.25 |
| 8" CMPD | 80.0 | \$2600.00 |

b. **Gallonage Charge** - In addition to the Base Rate of \$32.50, a gallonage charge shall be added at the following rates for usage during any one (1) billing period.

1) Water:

- \$ 9.50 per 1,000 gallons for 0 gallons 5,000 gallons
- \$9.50 per 1,000 gallons for 5,000 15,000 gallons
- \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons for 15,000 25,000 gallons

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- \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons for 25,000 gallons and over
- 2) The Corporation shall, as required by Texas Water Code Section 5.701, collect from each of its retail customers a regulatory assessment equal to one-half of one percent of the charge for retail water or wastewater service. This charge shall be collected in addition to other charges for utility service. This fee is collected on all charges pertaining to Section G. 16. Monthly Charges of this Tariff. (16 TAC 291.76(d))
- **15.** *Mortgagee/Guarantor Notification Fee.* The Corporation shall assess a fee of \$25.00 for each notification to a Membership lien-holder under agreement prior to Membership cancellation. (See Miscellaneous Transaction Forms.)
- **16.** *Meter Test Fee.* The Corporation shall test a Member's meter upon written request of the Member. (See Meter Test Authorization and Test Report Form in Section J) Under the terms of Section E. of this Tariff, a charge of \$150.000 shall be imposed on the affected account.
- **17.** *Other Fees.* All services outside the normal scope of utility operations that the Corporation may be compelled to provide at the request of a Member or the general public shall be charged to the recipient based on the cost of providing such service.
- **18.** *Owner Notification Fee.* The Corporation shall assess a fee of \$25.00 per notification to a Member of a renter/lessee delinquent account status prior to disconnection of service. (See Miscellaneous Transaction Forms.)
- **19.** *Reconnect Fee.* The Corporation shall charge a fee of \$50.00 for reconnecting service after the Corporation has previously disconnected the service for any reason provided for in this Tariff except for activation of service under Section E. 1. b. Re-Service.
- 20. Regulatory Assessment. A fee of 0.5% of the amount billed for water service will be assessed each customer; this assessment is required under Texas law and TCEQ regulations. NOTE: The regulatory assessment is not to be collected from state agencies, wholesale customers, or buyers of non-potable (not drinkable) water. (Ref. TCEQ RG-199 revised Sept. 2017; TCEQ Section 291.76 (c))
- **21.** *Returned Check Fee.* In the event a check, draft, or any other similar instrument is given by a person, firm, corporation, or partnership to the Corporation for payment of services provided for in this Tariff, and the instrument is returned by the bank or other similar institution as insufficient or non-negotiable for any reason, the account for which the instrument was issued shall be assessed a return check charge of \$25.00 (See Miscellaneous Transaction Forms)
- **22.** Service Investigation Fee. The Corporation shall conduct a service investigation for each service application submitted to the Corporation. An initial determination shall be made by the Corporation, without charge, as to whether the service request is Standard or Non-Standard. An investigation shall then be conducted and the results reported under the following terms:
 - a. All Standard Service requests shall be investigated without charge and all applicable costs for providing service shall be quoted in writing to the Applicant within ten (10) working days of application.
 - b. All Non-Standard Service requests shall be subject to a fee, appropriate to each project, of sufficient amount to cover all administrative, legal, and engineering fees associated with investigation of the Corporation's ability to deliver service to the Applicant to;
 - (1) provide cost estimates of the project,
 - (2) to present detailed plans and specifications as per final plat,
 - (3) to advertise and accept bids for the project,
 - (4) to present a Non-Standard Service Contract to the Applicant, and
 - (5) to provide other services as required by the Corporation for such investigation. A Non-Standard Service Contract shall be presented to the Applicant within a suitable amount of time as determined by the complexity of the project. (See Section F.5.)

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