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Public Utility Commission  
Central Records  
PO Box 13326  
Austin, TX 78711-3326

Re: Pass Through Change Application – Albury Manor Utility Company

Dear Sir/Madam,

This letter represents Albury Manor Utility Company Inc's ("AMUC") request to decrease AMUC's pass through fee ("PTF") associated with North Harris County Regional Water Authority ("NHCRWA"), noting the subsidence district's water pumpage fees decreased on February 1, 2023.

A summary of requested changes is as follows:

Tariff	Subsidence District	District Fee (Previous)	New District Fee (February 1, 2023)	AMUC PTF (Previous)	New AMUC PTF (February 1,2023)
AMUC Tariff	NHCRWA	\$4.60	\$4.10	\$5.17	\$4.34

As notification for the decrease in the district fee was erroneously sent to a now-retired prior manager and only recently forwarded to AMUC, all impacted customers will be notified subsequent to effective date of the decrease in their pass-through fee, noting customer letters will be sent to impacted customers on or about March 15, 2023, or as soon as we receive approval for this request. Please note that AMUC will bill impacted customers the new lower PTF beginning February 20th, 2023.

We have included the following to assist in the review of this pass-through change request:

- 1) Proposed customer notices and related affidavit.
- 2) Schedules and documents supporting the new pass-through fees, including water loss summaries and the subsidence district fee notice.

AMUC's requested pass-through change will affect CCN# 11507.

Thanks for your time and consideration on this matter.

If you have any questions and/or comments, please do not hesitate to contact:  
Stephen Chauvin (281-350-7000).

Sincerely,  
Stephen Chauvin  
Albury Manor Utility Company Inc.



Contact: Kibriana Bonner  
281-440-3924: [kibriana@nhcrwa.com](mailto:kibriana@nhcrwa.com)

January 10, 2023  
NHCRWA Rate Cuts

For Immediate Release

## NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY BOARD VOTES TO REDUCE WATER RATES

At its January 9, 2023, Regular Board Meeting, the Board of Directors of the North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA) voted to reduce water rates. The Board reduced surface water rates from \$5.05 to \$4.55 per 1,000 gallons and groundwater pumpage fees from \$4.60 to \$4.10 per 1,000 gallons. These rate cuts, the first cuts in the history of NHCRWA, will go into effect February 1st.

Newly elected Board President and Director Mark Ramsey later said, "I am grateful that in just over a month of hard work since being sworn in, the Directors worked with the staff and consultants to identify and implement an immediate savings to ratepayers while working on longer-term solutions to better utilize abundant water resources available to North Harris County residents."

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MUD401	PUMPED KGALs		AMUC	BILLED KGALs		LOSS/GAIN KGALs	LOSS/GAIN %
1/10/2022	366		1/20/2022	336		30.0	8.20%
2/9/2022	319		2/20/2022	321		-2.0	-0.63%
3/9/2022	251		3/20/2022	235		16.0	6.37%
4/8/2022	353		4/20/2022	384		-31.0	-8.78%
5/10/2022	636		5/20/2022	623		13.0	2.04%
6/9/2022	1002		6/20/2022	1146		-144.0	-14.37%
7/11/2022	1544		7/20/2022	1219		325.0	21.05%
8/10/2022	1447		8/20/2022	1542		-95.0	-6.57%
9/9/2022	716		9/20/2022	690		26.0	3.63%
10/10/2022	1268		10/20/2022	1080		188.0	14.83%
11/10/2022	799		11/20/2022	712		87.0	10.89%
12/12/2022	474		12/20/2022	376		98.0	20.68%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9175</b>			<b>8664</b>		<b>511.0</b>	<b>5.57%</b>

#### Previous Water Pass Through Fee Calculation (PTF):

G = Gallonage charge from North Harris County Regional Water Authority*	\$4.60
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AG = G/(1-L)	\$ 5.17

#### New Water Pass Through Fee Calculation (PTF) -Effective February 1, 2023:

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#### Customer Bill Comparison at 5,000 Gallons:

Previous Calculation of Customer Billing:

Example: 5/8" - 3/4" meter using 5,000 gallons  
 $\$19.12 + [5,000/1,000 * \$2.10] + [5,000/1,000 * \$5.17] = \underline{\underline{\$55.47}}$

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Example: 5/8" - 3/4" meter using 5,000 gallons  
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**Albury Manor Utility Company, Inc.**

**RATE SCHEDULE**

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Monthly Minimum Charge</u>
5/8" or 3/4"	\$19.12 (including 0 gallons)
1"	\$31.93
2"	\$101.88

**Gallonage Charge**

\$2.10 (per 1,000 gallons to 15,000 gallons)

\$2.87 (per 1,000 gallons above 15,000 gallons)

**North Harris County Regional Water Authority**

(NHCRWA) Use Fee: \$4.34 (per 1,000 gallons of water usage)

**FORM OF PAYMENT:** The utility will accept the following forms of payment:

Cash X , Check X , Money Order X , Credit Card , Other (specify)

THE UTILITY MAY REQUIRE EXACT CHANGE FOR PAYMENTS AND MAY REFUSE TO ACCEPT PAYMENTS MADE USING MORE THAN \$1.00 IN SMALL COINS. A WRITTEN RECEIPT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CASH PAYMENTS.

**REGULATORY ASSESSMENT** 1.0%

PUC RULES REQUIRE THE UTILITY TO COLLECT A FEE OF ONE PERCENT OF THE RETAIL MONTHLY BILL AND TO REMIT THOSE FEES TO THE TCEQ.

**Miscellaneous Fees**

**TAP FEE** \$300.00

TAP FEE COVERS THE UTILITY'S COSTS FOR MATERIALS AND LABOR TO INSTALL A STANDARD RESIDENTIAL 5/8" or 3/4" METER. AN ADDITIONAL FEE TO COVER UNIQUE COSTS IS PERMITTED IF LISTED ON THIS TARIFF.

**TAP FEE (Unique costs)** ACTUAL COST

FOR EXAMPLE, A ROAD BORE FOR CUSTOMERS OUTSIDE OF SUBDIVISIONS OR RESIDENTIAL AREAS.

**TAP FEE (Large meter)** ACTUAL COST

TAP FEE IS THE UTILITY'S ACTUAL COST FOR MATERIALS AND LABOR FOR METER SIZE INSTALLED.

**METER RELOCATION FEE** ACTUAL RELOCATION COST, NOT TO EXCEED TAP FEE

THIS FEE MAY BE CHARGED IF A CUSTOMER REQUESTS THAT AN EXISTING METER BE RELOCATED.

**METER TEST FEE** \$25.00

THIS FEE WHICH SHOULD REFLECT THE UTILITY'S COST MAY BE CHARGED IF A CUSTOMER REQUESTS A SECOND METER TEST WITHIN A TWO-YEAR PERIOD AND THE TEST INDICATES THAT THE METER IS RECORDING ACCURATELY. THE FEE MAY NOT EXCEED \$25.

**RECONNECTION FEE**

THE RECONNECT FEE MUST BE PAID BEFORE SERVICE CAN BE RESTORED TO A CUSTOMER WHO HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS (OR OTHER REASONS LISTED UNDER SECTION 2.0 OF THIS TARIFF):

- a) Nonpayment of bill (Maximum \$25.00) \$25.00
- b) Customer's request that service be disconnected \$50.00

**TRANSFER FEE \$25.00**

THE TRANSFER FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR CHANGING AN ACCOUNT NAME AT THE SAME SERVICE LOCATION WHEN THE SERVICE IS NOT DISCONNECTED.

**LATE CHARGE (EITHER \$5.00 OR 10% OF THE BILL) 10%**

PUC RULES ALLOW A ONE-TIME PENALTY TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT BILLS. A LATE CHARGE MAY NOT BE APPLIED TO ANY BALANCE TO WHICH THE PENALTY WAS APPLIED IN A PREVIOUS BILLING.

**RETURNED CHECK CHARGE \$20.00**

RETURNED CHECK CHARGES MUST BE BASED ON THE UTILITY'S DOCUMENTABLE COST.

**CUSTOMER DEPOSIT RESIDENTIAL (Maximum \$50) \$50.00****COMMERCIAL & NON-RESIDENTIAL DEPOSIT 1/6TH OF ESTIMATED ANNUAL BILL****GOVERNMENTAL TESTING, INSPECTION AND COSTS SURCHARGE**

WHEN AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY PUC AND AFTER NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS, THE UTILITY MAY INCREASE RATES TO RECOVER INCREASED COSTS FOR INSPECTION FEES AND WATER TESTING. [16 TAC § 24.25(b)(2)(G)]

**LINE EXTENSION AND CONSTRUCTION CHARGES:**

REFER TO SECTION 3.0--EXTENSION POLICY FOR TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND CHARGES WHEN NEW CONSTRUCTION IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE SERVICE.

**Albury Manor Utility Company, Inc.**

March 20, 2023

«Name»

«Mailing\_Address\_1»

«Mailing\_Address\_2»

«Mailing\_City», «Mailing\_State» «Mailing\_Zip»

Service Address: «Service\_Address»

Dear Albury Manor Utility Company Inc. (AMUC) Customer, 2023 Water Pass Through Fee Information:

Annually, the North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA) informs all water providers in their region of rate adjustments to be passed through to customers. AMUC is required to implement the rate adjustments, bill customers, and send collected dollars back to the North Harris County Regional Water Authority. AMUC does not profit from this fee, has no control over these rates, nor does AMUC condone this practice.

AMUC hereby notifies you that it will be adjusting your water pass through fee ("PTF") from \$5.17 to \$4.34 per 1000 gallons, effective February 1, 2023.

On your bill due April 2023, the PTF will be \$ 4.34 per 1,000 gallons, an adjustment from the current \$5.15 per 1,000 gallons. The Public Utility Commission of Texas will review the PTF calculation and advise of any required revisions, noting the \$4.34 per 1000 gallons will remain in effect until further notice. The calculations on the reverse side of this letter show the basis for both the prior and new NHCRWA PTF and corresponding customer bill comparison.

This tariff change is being implemented in accordance with the minor tariff changes allowed by 16 Texas Administrative Code § 24.25. The cost to you as a result of this change will not exceed the costs charged to your utility. Specifically, the pass-through provision allows AMUC to pass along actual water usage fees charged by the NHCRWA to its customers.

If you have any questions about this PTF adjustment, please call AMUC Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 4:30pm at 281-350-7000.

Sincerely,

Stephen Chauvin

Albury Manor Utility Company Inc.

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