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# PETITION TO AMEND MULTI-YEAR RATE PLAN

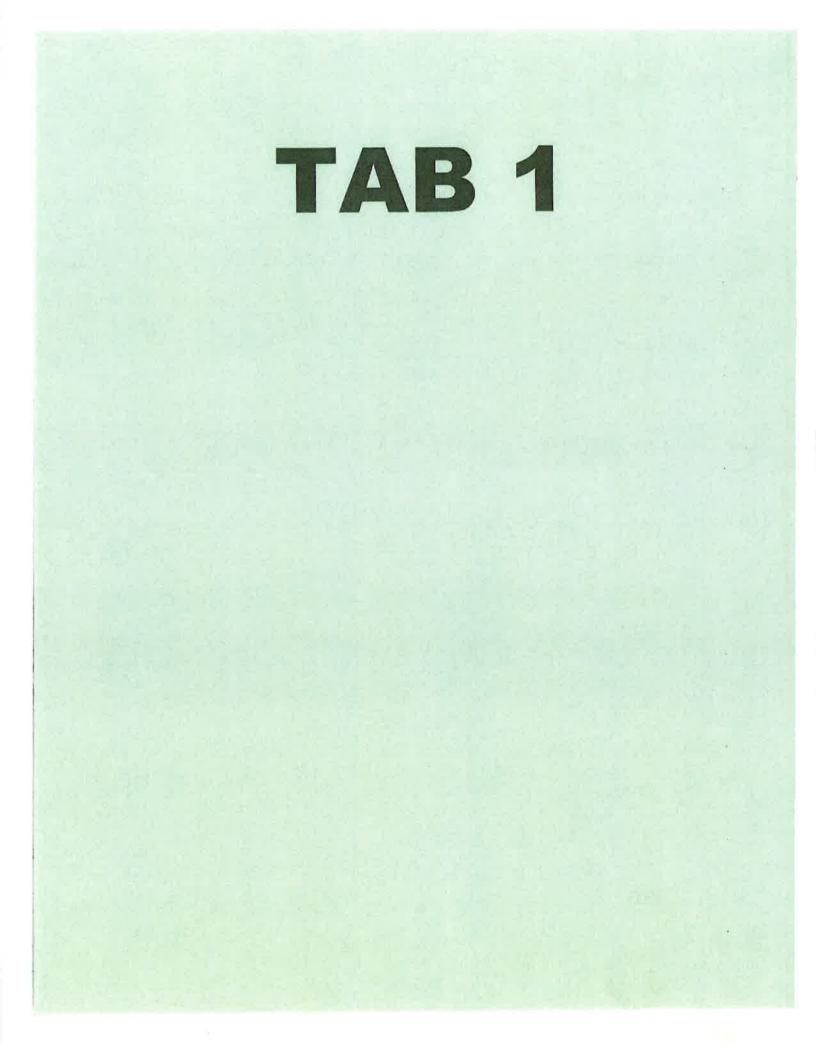
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# Re: Docket No. 4879: Woonsocket Water Division's Petition to Amend Multi-Year Rate Plan

#### Dear Luly:

On behalf of the City of Woonsocket Water Division ("WWD"), enclosed please find an original and nine (9) copies of a Petition to Amend Multi-Year Rate Plan that we are filing on behalf of the City of Woonsocket's Water Division, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws 39-15.1-4(d).

Attached with this Petition to Amend the Multi-Year Rate Plan we are enclosing the Pre-Filed Testimony and Schedules of David G. Bebyn, CPA, a proposed public notice, and proposed compliance Tariff changes prepared by Mr. Bebyn. Please let us know if there are any changes that are recommended for the proposed public notice and if we can assist with publication.

Please also let us know if there are any questions concerning this filing, or if we can assist in any way to facilitate the Commission's review of this Petition.

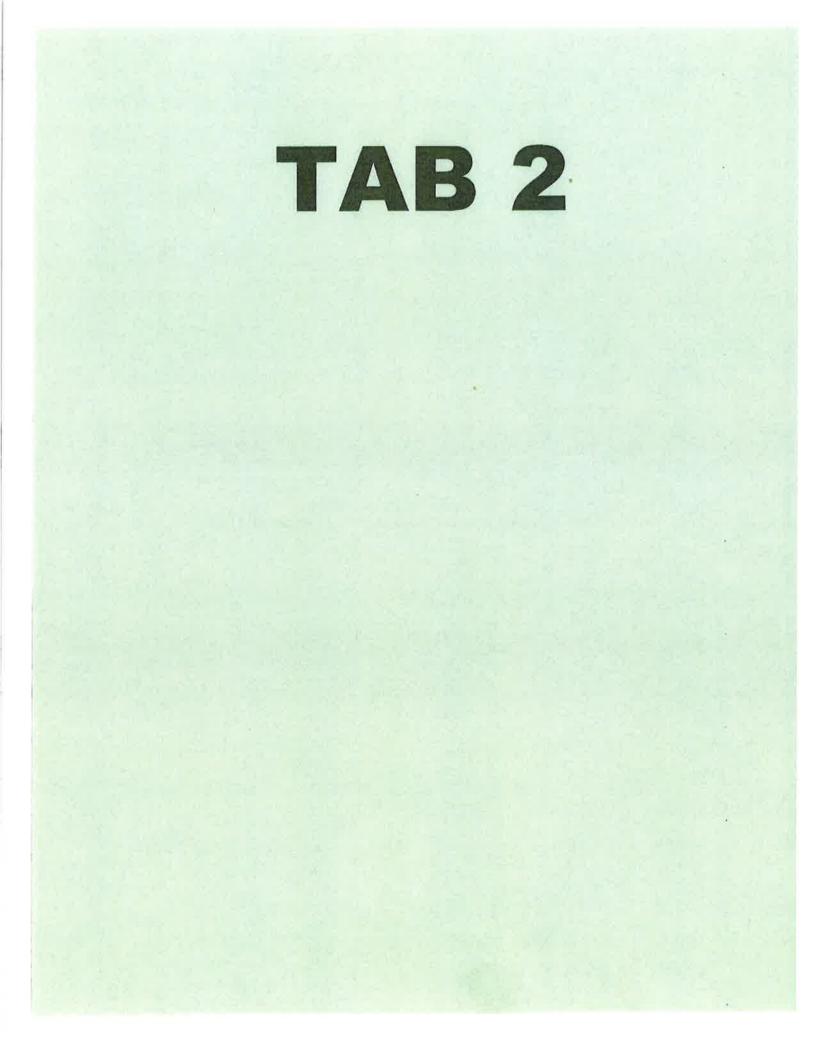
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Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws 39-15.1-4(d), the City of Woonsocket, Water Division ("WWD") hereby petitions the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") to amend the Multi-Year Rate Plan approved in this docket.<sup>1</sup> The background facts are provided as follows:

1. On September 11, 2018, the WWD filed an Application to Implement a Multi-Year Rate Plan pursuant to R.I.G.L. 39-15.1-4.

2. On May 17, 2019, the Commission accepted a Settlement Agreement between the WWD and the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers ("Division"), approving a multi-year, five-step increase plan, as set forth in detail in the attachments to the Settlement Agreement and in the Commission's Order.<sup>2</sup>

3. The first step provided for an initial increase in operating revenues of \$482,867, or 5.94% to a typical residential customer, to be effective upon the Commission's approval Order (May 17, 2019). WWD implemented the first step by filing its compliance Tariffs in 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> R.I.G.L. 39-15.1-4(d) provides that "A water supplier may petition the commission for a modification to an approved plan, and the commission in hearing and deciding the petition need only consider those portions or elements of the plan affected by the proposed modification. The commission shall approve or reasonably modify the proposed modification. See also R.I. Gen. Laws 39-15.1-4(b) ("The commission shall . . . reasonably amend the plan and the rates proposed therein").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> PUC Order No. 23605 (May 31, 2019).

4. The Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission in Order No. 23605 provided for a second step increase in additional operating revenues of \$446,822, with a 5.39 % across-the-board rate increase on all rate classes, to be effective after the first year of the five-year plan (May of 2020).<sup>3</sup>

5. On April 14, 2020, WWD filed a request to implement the second-year rate increase.

6. At an Open Meeting on June 4, 2020, the Commission denied WWD's request as filed, and after some further adjustments, the Commission instead approved a 5.49% increase of \$454,761, to constitute the second-year rate increase. WWD implemented the second year rate increase, as approved by the Commission, by filing its compliance Tariffs in June of 2020.

7. The Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission in Order No. 23605 called for three more step increases, in the amounts as follows: a step three increase in additional operating revenues of \$391,910 or 4.49% across-the-board rate increases on all rate classes, to be effective after the third year of the five-year plan; a fourth step increase in operating revenues of \$ 1,277,957 or 14% across-the-board rate increases on all rate classes, to be effective after the fourth year of the five-year plan; and finally a fifth step increase in operating revenues of \$1,252,777 or 12.04% on all rate classes, to be effective after the fifth year of the five-year plan.

8. A number of circumstances then caused WWD to delay implementing these next approved step increases in the Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission. First, the borrowing costs for the water treatment plant loan that were anticipated when the Multi-Year plan

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> PUC Order No. 23895 (Sept 1, 2020).

was approved actually came out to be much lower when the loans closed, reducing borrowing costs by about \$350,000.<sup>4</sup>

9. This, coupled with the delays to accommodate consumers disrupted by the Covid pandemic, meant that WWD could operate with the revenues that were in place, after the second step increase was implemented, for a longer period of time than anticipated.

10. In addition, WWD was able to delay implementing its timing of step increases by utilizing cash reserves accumulated in its Infrastructure Replacement Fund due to delays of certain projects with the focus on completing the new water treatment plant.

11. WWD was also able to secure a new subsidized loan for a water meter replacement project (and a lead pipe replacement project) without a further rate filing, due to the savings made available from the lower-than expected final terms for the water treatment loan, and by utilizing revenues as approved in the second step increase approved by the Commission.<sup>5</sup>

12. Given the timing of the up-coming debt service obligations of WWD, coupled with WWD's use of the savings in lower terms for the water treatment plant to fund the water replacement/lead replacement projects, the full debt service that was projected in the multi-year rate plan will still be needed.

13. For these reasons WWD petitions the RI PUC to allow the approved multi-year rate plan to be modified to allow WWD to combine the remaining step (three/four/five) increases into one final step at this time, as further described in the attached testimony and schedules of WWD's rate consultant, David Bebyn.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> There were two issuances related to the final two phases of the water treatment plant financing that both closed at much lower rates than originally anticipated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> As approved by the Division in DPUC Docket D-23-05 (Report and Order issued May 23, 2023)

14. R.I. Gen. Laws 39-15.1-4(d) allows a regulated water utility to petition the Commission for a modification of an approved multi-year rate plan, and further authorizes the Commission to modify such a plan, as to specific elements of the plan, if is in the interests of ratepayers.<sup>6</sup>

15. The requested modification of WWD's multi-year rate plan is in the best interests of ratepayers because by combining the remaining Commission approved step increases into one final step increase in rates at this time will allow WWD to meet its operating and expense requirements, including its debt service obligations, so as to continue to provide water to its customers.

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WHEREFORE, for the reasons described in this Petition and in the testimony and exhibits of David Bebyn, WWD respectfully requests that the Commission approve WWD's Petition to Amend the Multi-Year Rate Plan.

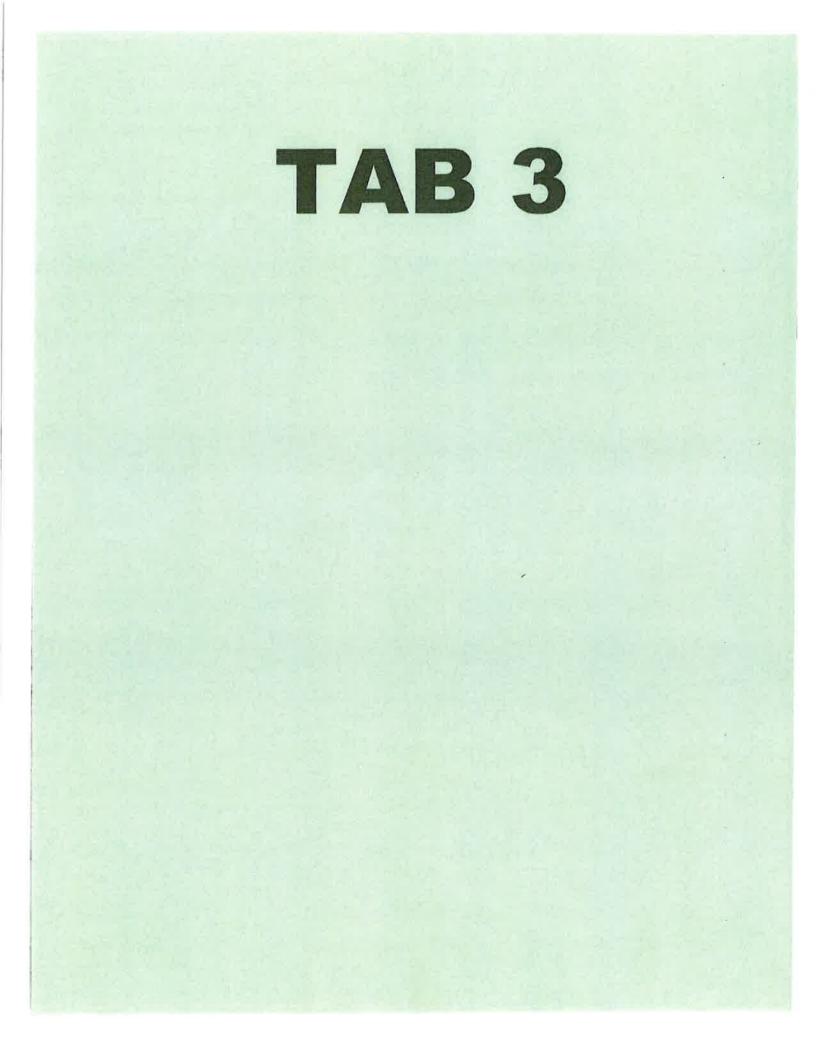
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 $<sup>^{6}</sup>$  R.I.G.L. 39-15.1-4(a) also allows water suppliers, at their discretion, to request that the rate plan be extended out for a period not to exceed six (6) years.



# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

# IN RE: CITY OF WOONSOCKET, WATER DIVISION

# **DOCKET NO. 4879**

# NOTICE OF PETITION TO AMEND MULTI-YEAR RATE PLAN AND CHANGE OF RATES PURSUANT TO R.I.G.L. 39-15.1-4

The City of Woonsocket, Water Division ("Woonsocket Water"), hereby gives notice that on May 29, 2024, it filed a Petition to Amend Multi-Year Rate Plan, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws 39-15.1-4. with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission ("Commission").

In this docket the Commission approved a multi-year rate plan for Woonsocket Water Order that provided for five (5) separate step rate increases over a five-year period of time. Woonsocket Water implemented the first two (2) step rate increases. However, due to the adjustments in financial forecasts as a result of the final terms of certain debt service obligations, and the pay offs of certain debt service obligations, Woonsocket Water was able to delay the timing of the rate increases that were scheduled for step increases three-to-five.

As a result, Woonsocket Water now seeks to amend the approved multi-year rate plan by consolidating the last three (3) step increases originally approved by the Commission into one final step increase in rates to complete the multi-year rate plan. The completion of the multi-year rate plan at this time is necessary in order to, among other things, secure sufficient revenues to support the debt service obligations for the financing of Woonsocket Water's new water treatment plant. In addition, Woonsocket Water anticipates that the final rate increase will, after proposed adjustments, be lower than the cumulative effect of the combined remaining increases of the multi-year rate increase plan approved in Docket 4879.

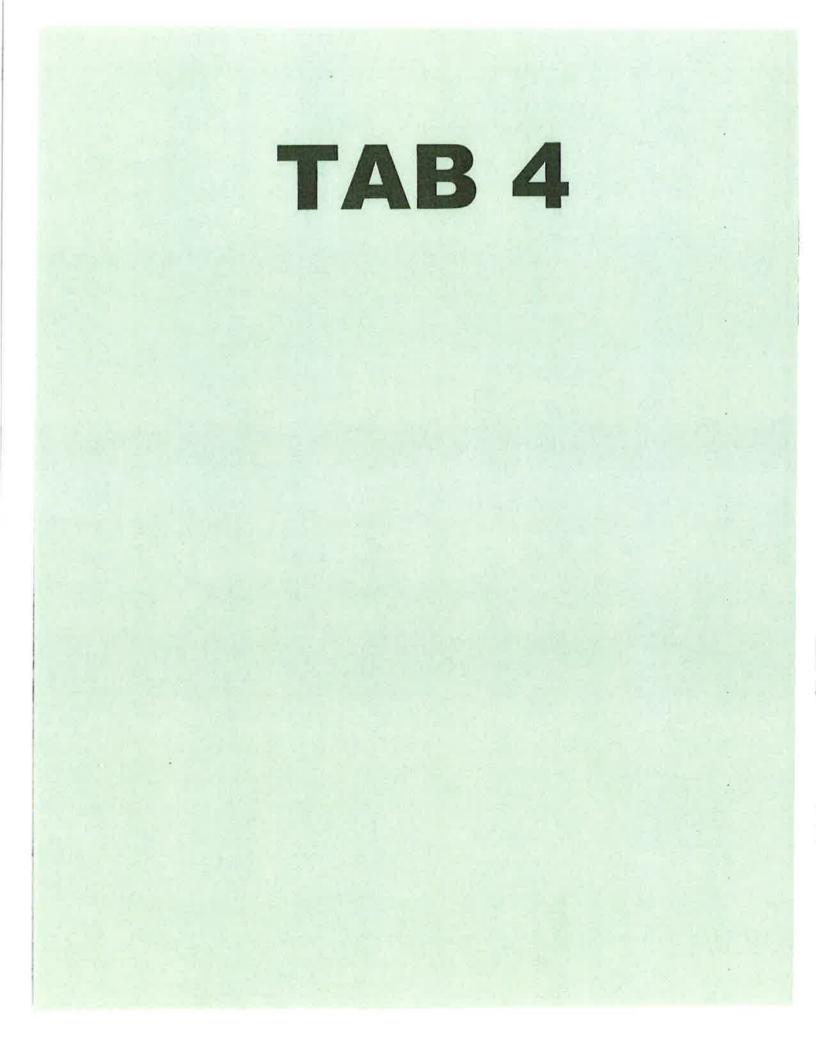
If approved by the Commission, Woonsocket Water is required to submit a compliance filing in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws 39-15.1-4 before it can implement an increase in rates pursuant to its multi-year rate plan. In the event the Commission approves Woonsocket Water's Petition to Amend the Multi-Year Rate Plan, Woonsocket Water has filed proposed compliance tariffs along with its Petition to Amend the Multi-Year Rate Plan. Pursuant to the proposed compliance tariffs, the proposed rates are designed to collect additional operating revenue in the amount of \$2,900,154 to support total operating revenue requirements of \$11,642,070. The impact of this request for a typical residential customer who uses 8,000 cubic feet of water per year (165 gallons per day) will result in an increase of 33.18% in rates, or \$42.25 per quarterly billing (\$169 per year).

While Woonsocket Water's proposed compliance tariffs are scheduled to implement the new rates on July 1, 2024, the amount of any final rate increase, and the date of implementation of new rates, are subject to approval by the Commission, pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws 39-15.1-

4. In this process, the Commission can hold a hearing on the Petition to Amend the Multi-Year Rate Plan and the proposed Compliance Tariffs, and may approve, or reasonably amend, Woonsocket Water's proposal. No rate change will take effect until the Commission has conducted its investigation and, if necessary, conducts a hearing. The Commission will publish a notice of any hearing dates when they are scheduled.

A copy of this filing is on file at Woonsocket City Hall located at 169 Main Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895 or on our website at https://www.woonsocketri.org/water-division. It can also be found on the Commission's website at http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventsactions/docket/4879page.html and at its office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02889, and may be examined by the public during business hours.

City of Woonsocket Water Division Woonsocket, Rhode Island



# Testimony & Data in Support of the WOONSOCKET WATER DIVISION (WWD)

# PETITION TO MODIFY MULTI-YEAR RATE PLAN WITH CHANGE IN RATE SCHEDULES PURSUANT TO R.I.G.L. § 39-15.1-4

**DOCKET NO. 4879** 

May 29, 2024

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1		<b>INTRODUCTION</b>
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3	Q.	Please state your name and business address for the record.
4	<b>A</b> .	My name is David G. Bebyn, CPA and my business address is 21 Dryden Lane,
5	Prov	idence, Rhode Island 02904.
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7	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what capacity?
8	<b>A</b> .	I am the President of B&E Consulting LLC (B&E). B&E is a CPA firm that
9		alizes in utility regulation, expert rate and accounting testimony and accounting
10	servi	ces.
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12	Q.	Are you the same David Bebyn that submitted pre-filed direct and rebuttal
13	testii	nony as well as live testimony in Docket 4879?
14	А.	Yes, I am.
15		
16	Q.	What is WWD requesting in this filing?
17	<b>A</b> .	WWD is seeking the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission's ("Commission")
18	appro	val to allow WWD to modify the timing of the rate increases in its originally
19	appro	ved multi-step filing. Specifically, WWD is requesting the Commission's
20	autho	rization to modify the multi-step rate plan to allow WWD to consolidate the Step
21	Three	, Four and Five approved rate increases into one combined rate increase, for the
22	reason	ns explained further in my testimony.
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24	Q.	Please provide an overview of the originally approved multi-step rate plan in
25	this D	ocket.
26	А.	On September 11, 2018, the WWD filed an application for a general rate increase
27	(Dock	et 4879). In its application, the WWD proposed a multi-year rate plan pursuant to
28		e Island General Laws (R.I.G.L.) §39-15.1-4. WWD preferred the multi-year rate
29		pproach for its rate filing primarily as a multi-year plan to allow for rate adjustments
30		er the debt service obligations associated with the costs of borrowing the funds for
31		w water treatment plant. Instead of a very large one time increase, the intent of the

multi-year rate plan was to soften the rate increases to customers, by spreading out the
increases mostly attributed to the water treatment plant project, to align with the timing of
the payment obligations of the debt service. To accommodate this multi-year rate increase
plan, the parties in Docket 4879 (the Division and WWD) presented the Commission with
a Settlement Agreement, which the Commission approved after an Open Meeting held on
May 17, 2019.

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# Q. Please summarize the originally approved Settlement Agreement that was approved by the Commission for a multi-year rate plan.

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A. The Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission provided for a first step
 increase in operating revenues of \$482,867 or 5.94% to a typical residential customer, to be
 effective upon the Commission's approval Order (May 17, 2019).

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15 The Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission then provided for a second step

16 increase in additional operating revenues of \$446,822 or 5.39 % across-the-board rate

17 increase on all rate classes, to be effective after the first year of the five-year plan (May of

- 18 **2020).**
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20 The Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission then provided for a third step

21 increase in additional operating revenues of \$391,910 or 4.49% across-the-board rate

22 increases on all rate classes, to be effective after the third year of the five-year plan (May

- 23 **2021).**
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25 The Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission then provided for a fourth step

- 26 increase in operating revenues of \$ 1,277,957 or 14% across-the-board rate increases on all
- 27 rate classes, to be effective after the fourth year of the five-year plan (May 2022).
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And finally, the Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission then provided for a
 final fifth step increase in operating revenues of \$1,252,777 or 12.04% on all rate classes,
 to be effective after the fifth year of the five-year plan (May 2023).

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Q. After the Commission approved the original multi-year rate plan in its May
17, 2019 Open Meeting, did WWD file its tariffs to implement the first approved rate
increase?

Yes, WWD filed new tariffs to implement the first approved rate increase.

8 9 Α.

# 10 Q. Did WWD file to implement its second year rate increase?

11 Α. Yes. On April 14, 2020, just after the onset of the Covid pandemic, WWD filed a 12 request to implement the second-year rate increase. The second step approved by the 13 Commission's May 31, 2019 order contemplated a second step increase of 5.39%, or 14 \$446,822, however WWD requested to implement an 6.53% increase instead of \$541,362. 15 At an Open Meeting on June 4, 2020, the Commission denied WWD's request as filed and 16 instead approved a 5.49% increase of \$454,761. In other words, while WWD requested 17 some further adjustments to the Commission approved second step increases (which were 18 denied), the Commission, in its decision dated June 4, 2020, approved a slight adjustment 19 to the previously approved second step increase.

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Q. After the Commission approved the adjusted second year rate increase, in its
June 4, 2020 decision, did WWD file its tariffs to implement the second approved rate
increase in the multi-year plan?

A. Yes, WWD filed new tariffs to implement the Commission approved second rate
 increase for the next rate year in 2020.

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Q. Did WWD file for the next (third) adjustment in rates in accordance with the
timing set forth in the multi-state plan, in May of 2021?

A. No. WWD did not file a request to implement this next (third) rate increase in the
multi-year rate plan.

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# 2 Q. Please explain.

Several things were going on during this time period that caused WWD to delay its 3 Α. request to further implement the next rate increase. First, the City of Woonsocket (City) 4 and WWD were dealing with the disruptions to normal operations caused by the Covid 5 pandemic. One impact was the effort to protect customers who were dealing with financial 6 difficulties caused by the Covid disruptions. For example, to provide relief to water utility 7 customers during this emergency period the Commission implemented a moratorium on 8 collections, and WWD worked with Commission staff to implement this moratorium, to 9 provide assistance to its water utility customers during this difficult time. WWD also 10 recognized that the 3d step increase was a much smaller increase (\$391,910 or 4.49%) and 11 that it could operate with existing revenues without imposing even a small rate increase on 12 its customers during this emergency period. 13

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Also, at that time, WWD evaluated the status of its collections, its revenues and its expenses including the debt service payments that were owed at that time, and determined that it was able to utilize the approved 2d step increase in operating revenues as being sufficient to meet obligations such as debt service while providing temporary rate relief to its water utility customers during the Covid pandemic emergency.

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# Q. Please explain how WWD was able to avoid the need for further operating revenues as contemplated by the third step increase in order to meet debt service obligations in 2021?

A. At that time, I noted that when the original multi-year plan was approved the final phase of the WWD treatment facility loan was not finalized. This required WWD to make sure to include enough projected revenue in rates at each of the step increases, to cover the expected debt service that I anticipated would be needed at each step in the multi-year plan in order to fund the debt service for the new treatment plant loan. However, once the final loan was approved for the new water treatment plant, the final loan came in at approximately \$350,000 less than the amount that I projected would be needed when we settled on the approved multi-year plan that was approved by the Commission in its May 2019 decision. This change in circumstances avoided the necessity for WWD to seek to 3 implement the 3d step in the multi-year plan at that time. In other words, with sufficient 4 revenues coming with the increases in the second step of the multi-year plan WWD did not 5 seek to implement the third step of the multi-year plan at that time.

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# Q. Did the delay in seeking to implement the third step increase impact the timing of the remaining step increases?

9 Α. Yes. Once WWD did not seek to implement the third step increase in 2021 this 10 delay also pushed out the timing of the fourth and fifth steps. In addition, when reviewing the debt structure at this time. I also noticed that when WWD filed for the original rate plan 11 12 approval (as approved in 2019) its last two debt issuances for the final two phases of the 13 plant financing were only estimated at that time. Subsequent to the Commission's Order 14 approving the muti-year plan, these last two issuances were also both closed at a lower rate 15 than forecasted at the time of the approved multi-year rate plan. This meant that that WWD 16 could continue temporarily with the rates approved by the Commission in its decision for 17 the second step to meet its obligations at that time.

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Q. Are there any other circumstances that you would like to bring to the
Commission's attention to further explain how WWD was able to cover debt service
without implementing the increases originally timed for the Step Three and Four rate
increase?

23 Α. Yes. Beyond the reductions in needed revenues caused by lower than anticipated 24 borrowing rates for certain debt obligations, WWD was able to utilize cash reserves that 25 had accumulated in its Infrastructure Replacement (IFR) Fund which had accumulated due 26 to postponement of certain capital projects due to the focus on the completion of the City's 27 new water treatment plant, which did not occur until the end of the fiscal year 2022. In 28 addition, Woonsocket's step increases per the Settlement Agreement approved by the 29 Commission in the multi-year rate plan were structured in a manner in which the full 30 annual debt service would not be needed until FY 2024.

2 WWD will, however, still need the full debt service that was projected in the original 3 multi-year rate plan approved in 2019, since WWD utilized the savings that it was able to 4 obtain from the final terms of the water treatment loan to finance a meter replacement 5 program with a new borrowing. And, fortunately, the WWD was able to obtain a favorable 6 subsidized loan for the meter replacement program. Between the difference from the 7 savings in the finalized water treatment loan and the new subsidized meter bond loan the 8 revenues approved in the multi-year still work, and a full rate filing to establish additional 9 revenues for the meter replacement program would not be required.

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#### 0. Please explain what you are now requesting of the Commission?

12 A. In order to get back on track WWD will need to implement the remaining steps of 13 the multi-year rate plan. This filing is requesting Commission approval to allow WWD to 14 modify both the timing of the steps approved in the multi-year plan, as well as to allow the 15 consolidation of the remaining three steps into one final step increase in rates so as to 16 implement the remaining Commission approved rate increases.

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#### 18 0. Please explain what steps are remaining to be implemented and WWD's 19 proposed modifications to the multi-year plan?

20 Α. The next anticipated step increase for the third year of the five-year plan pursuant 21 to R.I.G.L. originally approved by the Commission in Docket 4879 was a 4.48% an 22 increase of \$391,910. For the reasons explained in my testimony, the WWD did not file for 23 this increase in 2021 but is seeking to have this increase combined with the fourth and fifth 24 year increases, which is explained later in this testimony. Schedule DGB-1 attached to this 25 testimony sets forth the rates originally anticipated for Step Three in FY 2022. 26

27 The next anticipated step increase for the fourth year of the five-year plan pursuant to

28 R.I.G.L. originally approved by the Commission in Docket 4879 was a 14.00% an increase

of \$1,277,957. For the reasons explained in my testimony, the WWD did not file for this 29

30 increase in 2022 but is seeking to have this increase combined with the third and fifth year

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increases, which is explained later in this testimony. Schedule DGB-1 attached to this
 testimony sets forth the rates originally anticipated rates for Step Four in FY 2023.

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The next anticipated step increase for the fifth year of the five-year plan pursuant to
R.I.G.L. originally approved by the Commission in Docket 4879 was a 12.04% an increase
of \$1,252,777. The WWD did not file for this increase in 2023 but is seeking to have this
increase combine with the third and fourth year increases, which is explained later in this
testimony. Schedule DGB-1 attached to this testimony sets forth the rates originally
anticipated rates for Step Five in FY 2024.

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Q. Why does WWD prefer to modify the plan to consolidate the final three step
increases now, instead of allowing them to proceed in three separate steps as
originally designed ?

A. WWD has reached a point where full debt service payments will now be required and WWD will have insufficient revenues to cover the full debt service payments if the remaining three separate steps are merely postponed and not consolidated at this time.

Up to this point, as I explained earlier, WWD was able to utilize cash reserves that had accumulated in its Infrastructure Replacement (IFR) Fund, which had accumulated due to postponement of certain other capital projects, due to the focus on the completion of City's new water treatment plant. However, those IFR funds can no longer continue to sustain the required debt service payments past fiscal year 2024 without the final three steps.

Q. By combining the three remaining steps in the multi-year rate plan previously
approved by the Commission, what is the total amount of the WWD's proposed
increase in operating revenues at this time?

A. The WWD is proposing to increase its operating revenues by adding together the
remaining increases approved by the Commission in the Settlement for the third, fourth
and fifth step increases, with a slight adjustment downward in the approved third step
increase. My schedules combine the increases to total \$2,900,154 for years three, four &

five of the five-year plan. This total is broken down as an increase its revenues by the
 \$369,420 for year three of the five-year plan, \$1,277,957 for year four of the five-year
 plan, and \$1,252,777 for year five of the five-year plan.

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# Q. Are these the exact amounts that the Commission approved from the Settlement Agreement in the approved multi-year rate plan?

A. Almost the same. There is a decrease of \$22,490 over the \$391,910 that was included in the approved Settlement Agreement for year three of the five-year plan. The reduction of \$22,490 is from a reduction in labor inflation that is no longer needed due to savings in the employee turnover allowance. The remaining increases for year four and five were unadjusted from the Settlement Agreement amounts that were approved by the Commission.

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# Q. Did you prepare any schedules in support of the step increase that would accommodate the consolidation of the remaining steps 3, 4 and 5?

16 A. Yes, I did. I have included schedules attached to this filing that present a 33.18%
17 increase to all rates and charges.

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DGB Step 5 Sch. 1, attached to this testimony, presents the step increase proposed
by the WWD. This is the same schedule format included in the Settlement Agreement as
page 1 of 4 of Joint Settlement Sch. 12.0 in Docket 4879, except I have a section on the

bottom of the schedule for the additional adjustments requested in this compliance filing.

DGB Step 5 Sch. 2, attached to this testimony, presents the rates and charges approved in Docket 4879 and the proposed step increase being requested in this filing. This is in the same format of the bottom part of schedule page 1 of 4 of Joint Settlement Sch. 12.0 in Docket 4879

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29 DGB Step 5 Sch. 3, attached to this testimony, presents the impacts of the step

adjustments and the proposed new rates with the overall increase applied.

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# Q: Are you proposing an adjustment from sales in this filing?

A: No. The sales estimates for retail were established with a four-year average and the wholesale was estimated using the test year value since those sales had appeared to be growing. I still believe that using a four-year average would be the best approach.

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# 6 Q: What percentage increase is WWD requesting at this time and how is it to be

7 applied?

8 A: We are requesting an overall rate adjustment of 33.18% which will be applied to all

9 rates across-the-board. This 33.18% adjustment is reflected by the modified revenue

10 requirements of steps 3, 4, & 5 added together. This represents approximately the amount

11 of the rate increases that the remaining years of multi-year rate plan called for. WWD is

12 requesting authorization to modify the multi-year plan to allow for the consolidation of

13 these three remaining approved step increases into one final step increase in rates.

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15 Q. If the Commission approves WWD's request to modify the multi-year rate

16 plan what will be the impact on a typical customer's quarterly bill by the combined

# 17 rate increases called for in Steps 3, 4 and 5 of the multi-year plan?

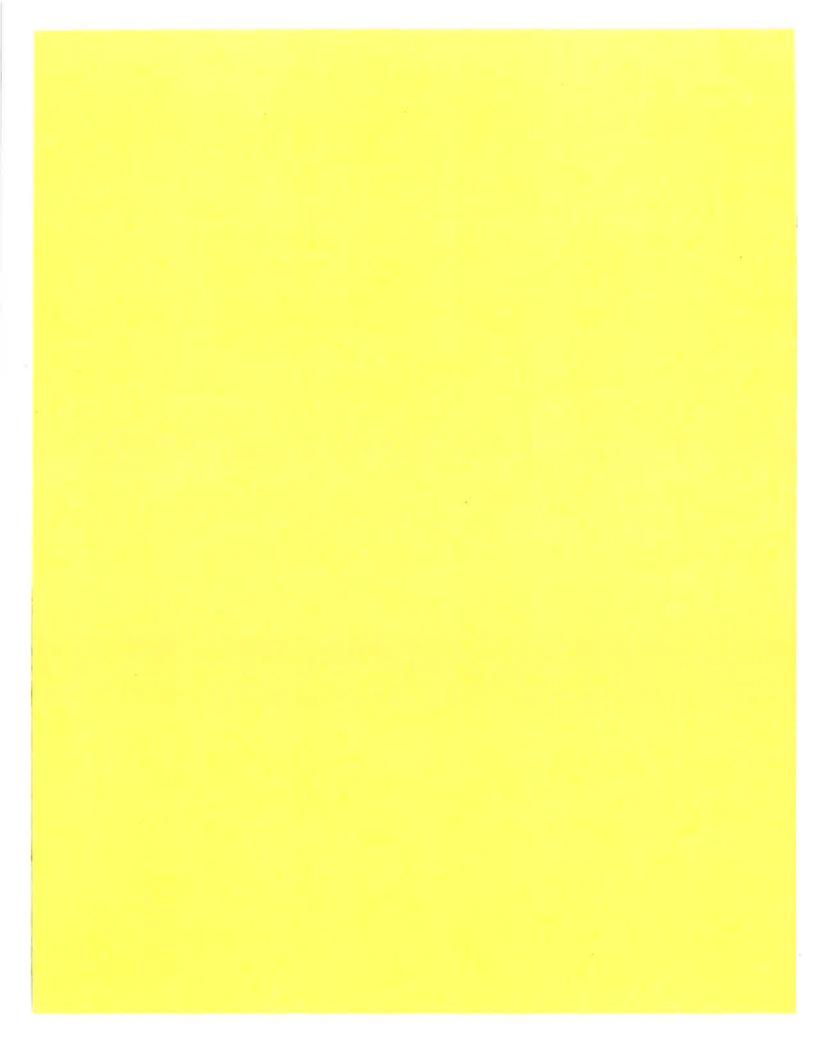
18 A. The impact on a typical customer's quarterly bill by the combined rate increases

19 called for in Steps 3, 4 and 5 is a \$42.25 increase in rates (\$169/year) or 33.18%.

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21 Q. Does that conclude your direct testimony?

22 A. Yes.



# Modified Proposed Step Increase - Year 5 RYE 2023 Woonsocket Water Division

#### DGB Step 5 Schedule - 1

# YEAR 5 of 5 year plan - RY 2023/2024

Rate Year ( FYE 2021) Revenue Requirement

# \$ 6,741,916 See Year 2 of 5 year plan RY 2020/2021 per Docket 4879 order 23895

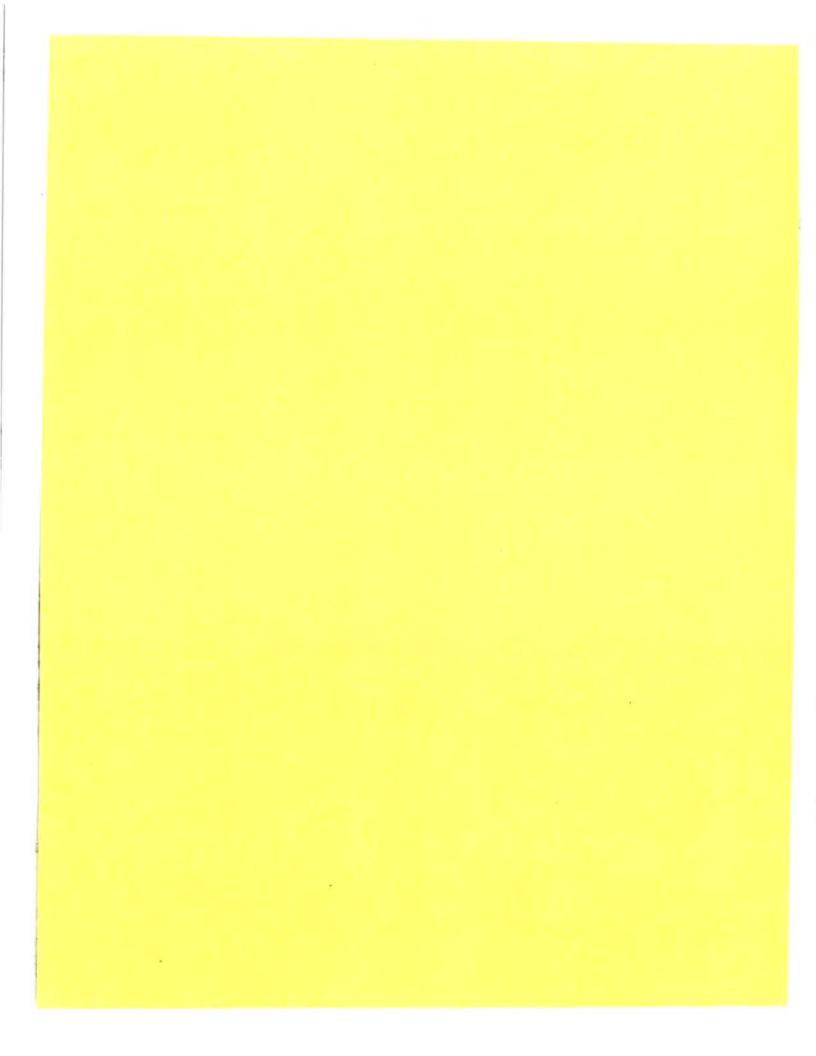
New Debt Reserve Funding	2,760,000
Plant Op Contract (existing plant)	101,653
Remove one time Chemical Credit	
Light & Power Increase	14
Property & Fire Taxes Increase	2,020
nflation Labor @ 2%	
nílalion Non-Labor @ 2.5%	35.527
Operating Reserve Increase 1 5%	954
	2,900,154

Rate Year ( FYE 2023) Revenue Requirement Proposed Step Increase (FYE 2023) Revenue Requirement

\$ 11,642,070 33\_18%

Revenue from rates	\$ 11,642,070
Misc Revenue	321,852
Total Rate Year Revenue	\$ 11,963,922

	(A)	(8)	(C) (A) + (B)	(D)	(E)	(E) (C) * (D)
	Originally Filed			Originally Filed	Originally Filed	
	Step Increases for 2021 -			Slep (4) increases for 2022	Step (5) Increases for 2023	
	See Docket 4879	Adjustment to	Adjusted	See Docket 4879	See Docket 4879	
	Joint Settlement Schedule	Step 3	Step 3	Joint Settlement Schedule	Joint Settlement Schedule	Combined
	12.1 page 1 of 2	Increase	Increase	12.1 page 2 of 2	12.1 page 2 of 2	step 3, 4 & 5
New Debt Reserve Funding	335,000		335,000	1,225,000	1,200.000	2,760,000
Plant Op Contract (existing plant)	(2,407)	8	(2.407)	52.164	51,896	101,653
Remove one time Chemical Credit			÷	10		
Light & Power Increase	1.1		141	1975	÷	72
Property & Fire Taxes Increase	2,020		2,020	-	-	2,020
Inflation Labor @ 2%	22,490	(22,490)		(e)	101	0
Inflation Non-Labor @ 2.5%	35,527		35,527			35,527
Operating Reserve Increase 1.5%	(720)	· · · · · ·	(720)	793	881	954
	391,910	(22,490)	369,420	1,277,957	1,252,777	2,900,154

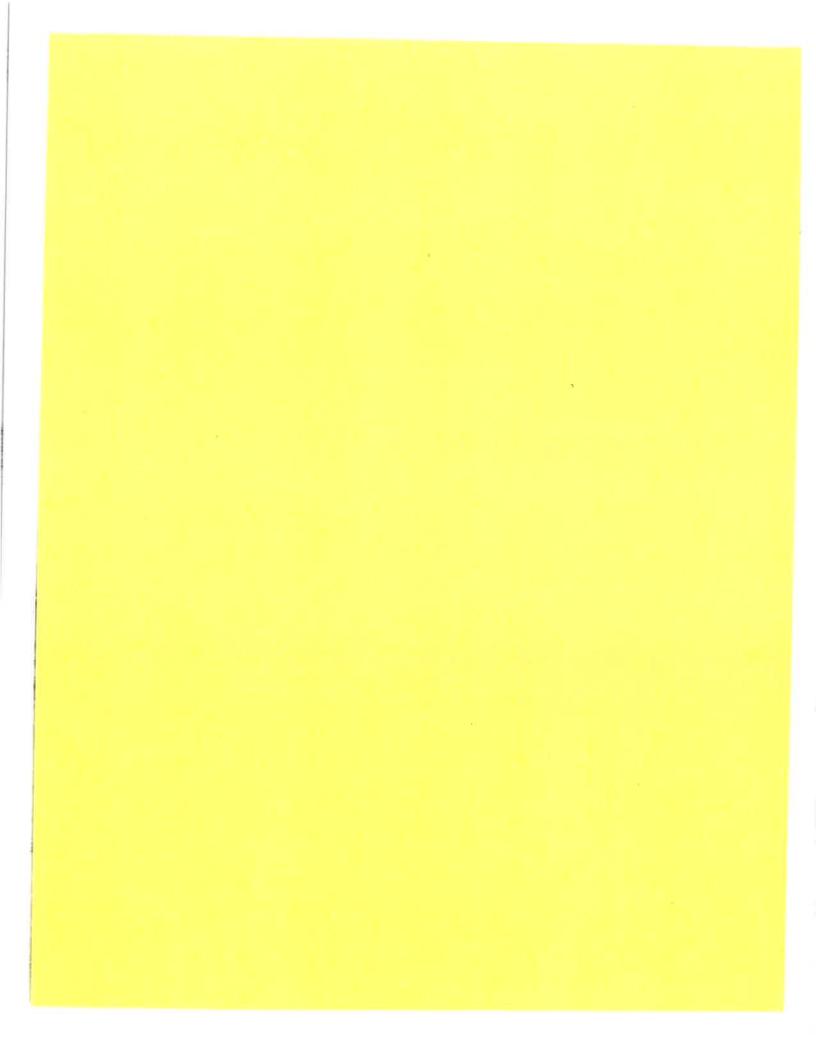


# Proposed Step Rates - RY 2023/2024 Woonsocket Water Division

Proposed Step Increase (FYE 2023) Revenue Requirement

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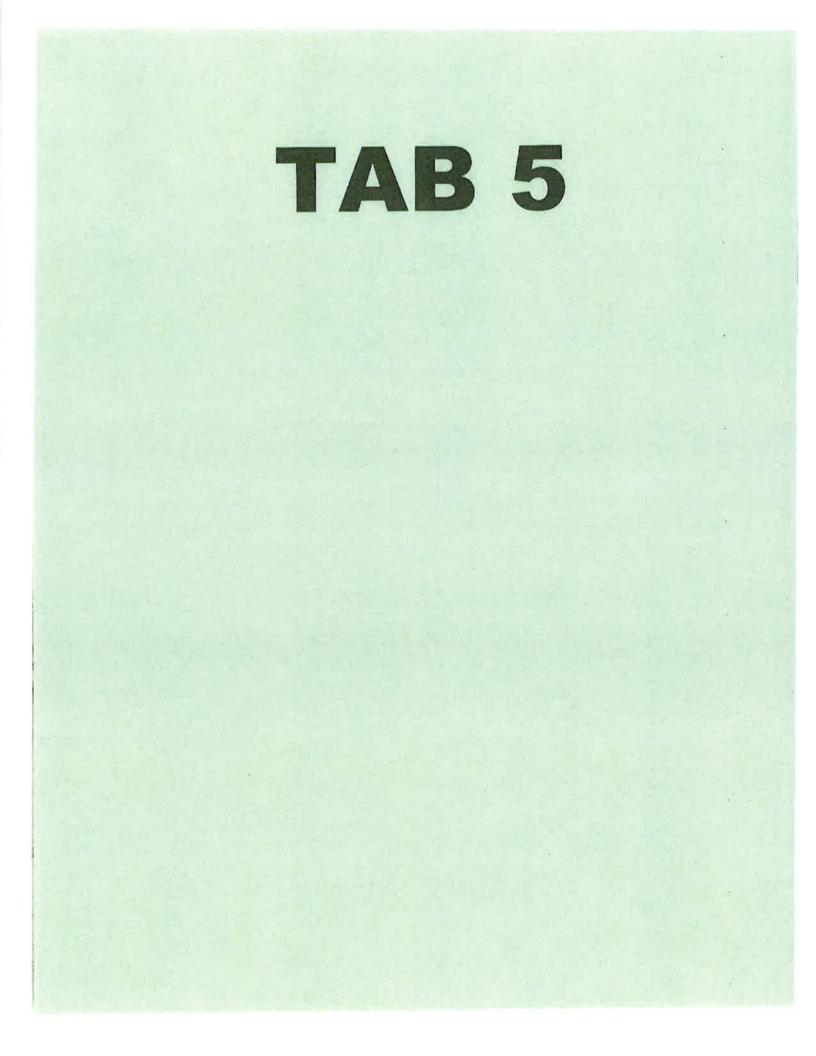
			Current Rate	Ste	p Increase 2023	Percentage Increase
Public I	Fire Protection					
Comm	unities Outside Woonsocket					
4	Inch	\$	134.20	\$	178.72	33,18%
6	Inch	\$	389.83	\$	519.16	33.18%
ŭ	Per Bill	\$	9.96	\$	13.26	33.18%
		φ	2.70	ψ	13.20	55,102
Private I	Fire Protection					
2	Inch	\$	44.92	\$	59.82	33.189
3	Inch	\$	91.22	.\$	121.48	33,18%
4	Inch	\$	171.97	\$	229.02	33.18%
6	Inch	\$	448.86	\$	597,77	33.18%
8	Inch	\$	926.54	\$	1,233.92	33,18%
10	Inch	\$	1,627,04	\$	2,166.81	33.18%
Minimum	Service Charge					
Custom	er Service Charge All Ratep	ayers	r			
5/8	Inch	\$	19.42	\$	25.86	33.18%
3/4	Inch	\$	23.40	\$	31.16	33.18%
1	Inch	\$	26.60	\$	35.42	33.18%
1.1/2	Inch	\$	40.81	\$	54.35	33.189
2	Inch	\$	53.25	\$	70.92	33.18%
3	luch	\$	69.58	\$	92.66	33.18%
4	Inch	\$	00.58	\$	133.95	33.18%
6	Inch	\$	169.88	\$	226.24	33.18%
8	Inch	\$	289.68	\$	385.78	33,18%
10	Inch	\$	411.18	\$	547.59	33.18%
Additio	nal Fire Protection Service C	hare	e. Only Rater	avers	in Woousock	at
5/8	Inch	\$	14.97	\$	19.94	33.18%
3/4	Inch	\$	21.26	\$	28.31	33.18%
1	Inch	\$	26.32	\$	35.05	33,18%
112	Inch	\$	48.81	\$	65.00	33.18%
2	Inch	\$	68.50	\$	91.23	33.18%
3	Inch	\$	94.33	\$	125.62	33.18%
4	Inch	\$	143.38	\$	190.95	33.18%
6	Inch	S	253.04	\$	336.99	33.18%
8	Inch	\$	442.60	\$	589.43	33.18%
10	Inch	\$	634.85	\$	845,46	33.18%
Mete	red Rates					
Wholesale	Rate per 1,000,000 gallons	\$	5,269.44	\$	7,017.59	33,18%
Retail	Rate per 100 Cubic Feet	\$	4.65	\$	6.19	33.18%



			Count or Usage	Current Revenue	Proposed Revenue	lı	Dollar ncrease	% Increase
	Ratepayers	in the City of Woons	ocket					
5/8	Inch Meter	7,000 cu ft/yr	7,000	\$ 463.06	\$ 616.68	\$	154	33,18%
5/8	Inch Meter	8,000 cu ft/yr	8,000	\$ 509.56	\$ 678.59	\$	169	33,17%
5/8	Inch Meter	20,000 cu ft/yr	20000	\$ 1,067.56	\$ 1,421.73	\$	354	33.18%
ł	Inch Meter	50,000 cu ft/yr	50,000	\$ 2,536.68	\$ 3,378.23	\$	842	33.18%
4	Inch Meter	500,000 cu ft/yr	500,000	\$ 24,225.84	\$ 32,262.83	\$	8,037	33.18%
б	Inch Meter	1,000,000 cu fr⁄yr	1,000,000	\$ 48,191.68	\$ 64,179.40	\$	15,988	33.18%
		10						
Rate	payers in Ot	her Communities ser	viced by Woonsocket					
5/8	Inch Meter	7,000 cu ft/yr	7,000	\$ 403.18	\$ 536.94	\$	134	33.18%
5/8	Inch Meter	8,000 cu ft/yr	8,000	\$ 449.68	\$ 598.84	\$	149	33.17%
5/8	Inch Meter	20,000 cu ft/yr	20000	\$ 1,007.68	\$ 1,341.98	\$	334	33.18%
1	Inch Meter	50,000 cu fl/yr	50,000	\$ 2,431.40	\$ 3,238.02	\$	807	33.18%
4	Inch Meter	500,000 cu ft/yr	500,000	\$ 23,652.32	\$ 31,499.04	\$	7,847	33.18%
6	Inch Meter	1,000,000 cu ft/yr	1,000,000	\$ 47,179.52	\$ 62,831,45	\$	15,652	33.18%

# Impact of Proposed Rates - RY 2023/2024 Woonsocket Water Division

# DGB Step 5 Schedule - 3



# **City of Woonsocket Water Department** TARIFF

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date: June 15, 2020

Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019

# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Bulk Sales to Public Authorities for Resale

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date: June 15, 2020 Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019

## <u>Usage</u>

Sales to Public Authorities at Bulk. Includes any community currently tied into the City of Woonsocket and communities tied into the City's water system in the future.

### <u>Rates</u>

For all quantities of Metered water: \$ 5,269.44 per million gallons

# **Billing and Payment**

All charges billed under this tariff are rendered in arrears on a frequency determined by the assigned billing cycle, and are due and payable in full when rendered.

# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Public Fire Protection

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date:	June 15, 2020	Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019

# <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all customers served by the Woonsocket Water Department (Other than City of Woonsocket) for service to public fire hydrants, based on the size of the hydrant connection.

#### Rates

For each Hydrant:	Annual Char		
4 inch	\$ 134.20		
6 inch	\$ 389.83		

Plus \$ 9.96 per billing

#### Exception

For each hydrant of any size in Woonsocket, as allowed by RIGL s. 39-3-11, \$0.00.

# Billing and Payment

All charges billed under this tariff are rendered in arrears on a frequency determined by the assigned billing cycle, and are due and payable in full when rendered.

# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Private Fire Protection

### Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date: June 15, 2020 Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019

#### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all private fire connection services served by the Woonsocket Water Department for service to private fire service connections owned and maintained by the customer, based on the size of the connection.

#### Rates For each Cor

nnection:	Annual Charge	Quart. Charge
2 inch	\$ 44.92	\$ 11.23
3 inch	\$ 91.22	\$ 22.81
4 inch	\$ 171.97	\$ 42.99
6 Inch	\$ 448.86	\$ 112.22
8 inch	\$ 926.54	\$ 231.64
10 inch	\$ 1,627.04	\$ 406.76
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Unmetered private hydrants will be charged as 6 inch connections.

## Billing and Payment

All bills for private fire service are rendered annually in advance and are due and payable when rendered usage through private fire service shall be billed in arrears at the general metered water service rates.

# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Customer Service Charge

# Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date:	June 15, 2020	Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019

### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all metered customers served by the Woonsocket Water Department, exclusive of public and private fire service.

#### Rates

For each service connected to the Woonsocket Water Division, the following charges shall apply:

Meter Size	Quarterly	
5/8	\$	19.42
3/4	\$	23.40
1	\$	26.60
1 1/2	\$	40.81
2	\$	53.25
3	\$	69.58
4	\$	100.58
6	\$	169.88
8	\$	289.68
10	\$	411.18

However, for each service connected to the Woonsocket Water Division and is connected in the City of Woonsocket the following additional Fire Protection charges shall apply:

Meter Size	Quarterly	
5/8	\$	14.97
3/4	\$	21.26
1	\$	26.32
1 1/2	\$	48.81
2	\$	68.50
3	\$	94.33
4	\$	143.38
6	\$	253.04
8	\$	442.60
10	\$	634.85

Billing and Payment

All customer service charges billed under this tariff are rendered quarterly in advance and are due and payable in full when rendered.

# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Metered Sales

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date:

June 15, 2020

Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019

# <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all metered customers served by the Woonsocket Water Department, including metered private fire service.

# Rates

For all metered quantities except bulk sales to public authorities:

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Quarterly Use

4.65 per 100 cubic feet

Billing and Payment

All metered sales bills are rendered in arrears quarterly and are due and payable in full when rendered.

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# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Miscellaneous Charges

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date: June 15, 2020 Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019

#### Water Truck Sales

\$60 per truck load up to 10,000 gallons payable in advance

#### **Remove Meter**

\$100 per meter removal. \$100 per meter reinstallation Billed in arrears with payment due and payable upon presentation.

#### Shut-off/Turn-on

Service Shut-off Charge: \$100 Service Turn-on Charge: \$100

#### New Water Meters

Billed at cost of materials and hours of labor plus 33.3% when installed at the customers request with in the sequence developed by City. No charge when installed in the sequence developed by City.

#### Installation and Repair Work

Billed at cost of materials and hours of labor plus 33.3%. Estimated cost billed and collected in advance. Final bill prepared after completion of work. Under payments are due payable upon completion of the work. Refunds for overpayments to be paid within 30 days.

#### ARB Installation

\$47 per installation for City owned meters. Billed in arrears, due and payable when rendered.

#### Interest Rate on Delinguent Accounts

Bills delinquent after 30 days from the due date of the bill will accrue interest at the rate of 1.5% beginning from the due date of the bill.

# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

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## City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Bulk Sales to Public Authorities for Resale

#### Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date:

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#### <u>Usage</u>

Sales to Public Authorities at Bulk. Includes any community currently tied into the City of Woonsocket and communities tied into the City's water system in the future.

#### Rates

For all quantities of Metered water:

June 15, 2020

July 01, 2024

**\$ 5,269.44** per million gallons \$ 7,017.59

#### **Billing and Payment**

### City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Public Fire Protection

### Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date:	June 15, 2020	Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019
	July 01, 2024	Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 June 2020

### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all customers served by the Woonsocket Water Department (Other than City of Woonsocket) for service to public fire hydrants, based on the size of the hydrant connection.

#### Rates 1

For each Hyd	rant:		Annual Cha	rge	
	4 inch		\$ 134.20	\$	178.72
	6 inch		\$-389.83	\$	519.16
Plus		\$ 9.96	per billing		
		\$ 13.26			
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### Exception

For each hydrant of any size in Woonsocket, as allowed by RIGL s. 39-3-11, \$0.00.

#### Billing and Payment

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## City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Private Fire Protection

#### Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date:	June 15, 2020	Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019
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#### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all private fire connection services served by the Woonsocket Water Department for service to private fire service connections owned and maintained by the customer, based on the size of the connection.

#### <u>Rates</u>

For each Connection:	Annual Charg	le	Quart. Charg	e
2 inch	\$ 44.92	\$ 59.82	\$ 11.23	\$ 14.96
3 inch	\$91.22	\$ 121.48	<u>\$-22.81</u>	\$ 30.37
4 inch	<del>\$ 171.97</del>	\$ 229.02	\$ 42.99	\$ 57.26
6 inch	\$448-86	\$ 597.77	\$ 112.22	\$ 149.44
8 inch	\$— <del>926.5</del> 4	\$ 1,233.92	\$231.64	\$ 308.48
10 inch	\$-1,627.04	\$ 2,166.81	\$ 406.76	\$ 541.70

Unmetered private hydrants will be charged as 6 inch connections.

#### Billing and Payment

All bills for private fire service are rendered annually in advance and are due and payable when rendered usage through private fire service shall be billed in arrears at the general metered water service rates.

# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Customer Service Charge

# Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

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#### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all metered customers served by the Woonsocket Water Department, exclusive of public and private fire service.

## <u>Rates</u>

For each service connected to the Woonsocket Water Division, the following charges shall apply:

Meter Size	Quarterly	
5/8	\$-19.42	\$ 25.86
3/4	\$23.40	\$ 31.16
1	\$ 26.60	\$ 35.42
1 1/2	\$	\$ 54.35
2	\$53.25	\$ 70.92
3	\$ 69.58	\$ 92.66
4	\$100.58	\$ 133.95
6	\$ 169.88	\$ 226.24
8	\$289.68	\$ 385.78
10	\$ 411.18	\$ 547.59

However, for each service connected to the Woonsocket Water Division and is connected in the City of Woonsocket the following additional Fire Protection charges shall apply:

14.97         \$           21.26         \$           26.32         \$	19.94 28.31
26.32 \$	
	35.05
48.81 \$	65.00
68.50 \$	91,23
94.33 \$	125.62
43.38 \$	190.95
\$53.04 \$	336,99
42.60 \$	589.43
34.85 \$	845.46
	48.81     \$       68.50     \$       94.33     \$       43.38     \$       53.04     \$       42.60     \$

#### Billing and Payment

All customer service charges billed under this tariff are rendered quarterly in advance and are due and payable in full when rendered.

### City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Metered Sales

# Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

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### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all metered customers served by the Woonsocket Water Department, including metered private fire service.

<u>Rates</u>

For all metered quantities except bulk sales to public authorities:

Quarterly Use

\$ 4.65 per 100 cubic feet \$ 6.19

Billing and Payment

All metered sales bills are rendered in arrears quarterly and are due and payable in full when rendered.

### City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Miscellaneous Charges

#### Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date:	June 15,-2020	Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 May 2019
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#### Water Truck Sales

\$60 per truck load up to 10,000 gallons payable in advance

#### **Remove Meter**

\$100 per meter removal. \$100 per meter reinstallation Billed in arrears with payment due and payable upon presentation.

#### Shut-off/Turn-on

Service Shut-off Charge: \$100 Service Turn-on Charge: \$100

#### **New Water Meters**

Billed at cost of materials and hours of labor plus 33.3% when installed at the customers request with in the sequence developed by City.

No charge when installed in the sequence developed by City.

#### Installation and Repair Work

Billed at cost of materials and hours of labor plus 33.3%. Estimated cost billed and collected in advance. Final bill prepared after completion of work. Under payments are due payable upon completion of the work. Refunds for overpayments to be paid within 30 days.

## ARB Installation

\$47 per installation for City owned meters. Billed in arrears, due and payable when rendered

#### Interest Rate on Delinguent Accounts

Bills delinquent after 30 days from the due date of the bill will accrue interest at the rate of 1.5% beginning from the due date of the bill.

# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

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## City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Bulk Sales to Public Authorities for Resale

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date: July 01, 2024 Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 June 2020

#### <u>Uşage</u>

Sales to Public Authorities at Bulk. Includes any community currently tied into the City of Woonsocket and communities tied into the City's water system in the future.

#### Rates

For all quantities of Metered water: \$ 7,017.59 per million gallons

#### Billing and Payment

## City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Public Fire Protection

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date: July 01, 2024 Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 June 2020

#### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all customers served by the Woonsocket Water Department (Other than City of Woonsocket) for service to public fire hydrants, based on the size of the hydrant connection.

#### <u>Rates</u>

For each Hydrant:	Annual Charge
4 inch	\$ 178.72
6 inch	\$ 519.16

Plus \$ 13.26 per billing

#### Exception

For each hydrant of any size in Woonsocket, as allowed by RIGL s. 39-3-11, \$0.00.

#### Billing and Payment

## City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Private Fire Protection

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date: July 01, 2024 Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 June 2020

#### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all private fire connection services served by the Woonsocket Water Department for service to private fire service connections owned and maintained by the customer, based on the size of the connection.

#### Rates For each (

Connection:	Annual Charge	Qu	art. Charge
2 inch	\$ 59.82	\$	14.96
3 inch	\$ 121.48	\$	30.37
4 inch	\$ 229.02	\$	57.26
6 inch	\$ 597.77	\$	149.44
8 inch	\$ 1,233.92	\$	308.48
10 inch	\$ 2,166.81	\$	541.70
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Unmetered private hydrants will be charged as 6 inch connections.

#### **Billing and Payment**

All bills for private fire service are rendered annually in advance and are due and payable when rendered usage through private fire service shall be billed in arrears at the general metered water service rates.

# City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Customer Service Charge

# Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

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#### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all metered customers served by the Woonsocket Water Department, exclusive of public and private fire service.

#### <u>Rates</u>

For each service connected to the Woonsocket Water Division, the following charges shall apply:

Meter Size	Quarterly	
5/8	\$	25.86
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However, for each service connected to the Woonsocket Water Division and is connected in the City of Woonsocket the following additional Fire Protection charges shall apply:

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5/8	\$	19.94	
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2	\$	91.23	
3	\$	125.62	
4	\$	190.95	
6	\$	336.99	
8	\$	589.43	
10	\$	845.46	

Billing and Payment

All customer service charges billed under this tariff are rendered quarterly in advance and are due and payable in full when rendered.

## City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Metered Sales

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date:

July 01, 2024

Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 June 2020

#### <u>Usage</u>

Applies to all metered customers served by the Woonsocket Water Department, including metered private fire service.

#### <u>Rates</u>

For all metered quantities except bulk sales to public authorities:

Quarterly Use

\$ 6.19 per 100 cubic feet

Billing and Payment

All metered sales bills are rendered in arrears quarterly and are due and payable in full when rendered.

## City of Woonsocket Water Department TARIFF Miscellaneous Charges

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 4879

Effective Date:

July 01, 2024

Replaces Tariff Approved in Docket 4879 June 2020

## Water Truck Sales

\$60 per truck load up to 10,000 gallons payable in advance

#### Remove Meter

\$100 per meter removal. \$100 per meter reinstallation Billed in arrears with payment due and payable upon presentation.

#### Shut-off/Turn-on

Service Shut-off Charge: \$100 Service Turn-on Charge: \$100

#### New Water Meters

Billed at cost of materials and hours of labor plus 33.3% when installed at the customers request with in the sequence developed by City. No charge when installed in the sequence developed by City.

# Installation and Repair Work

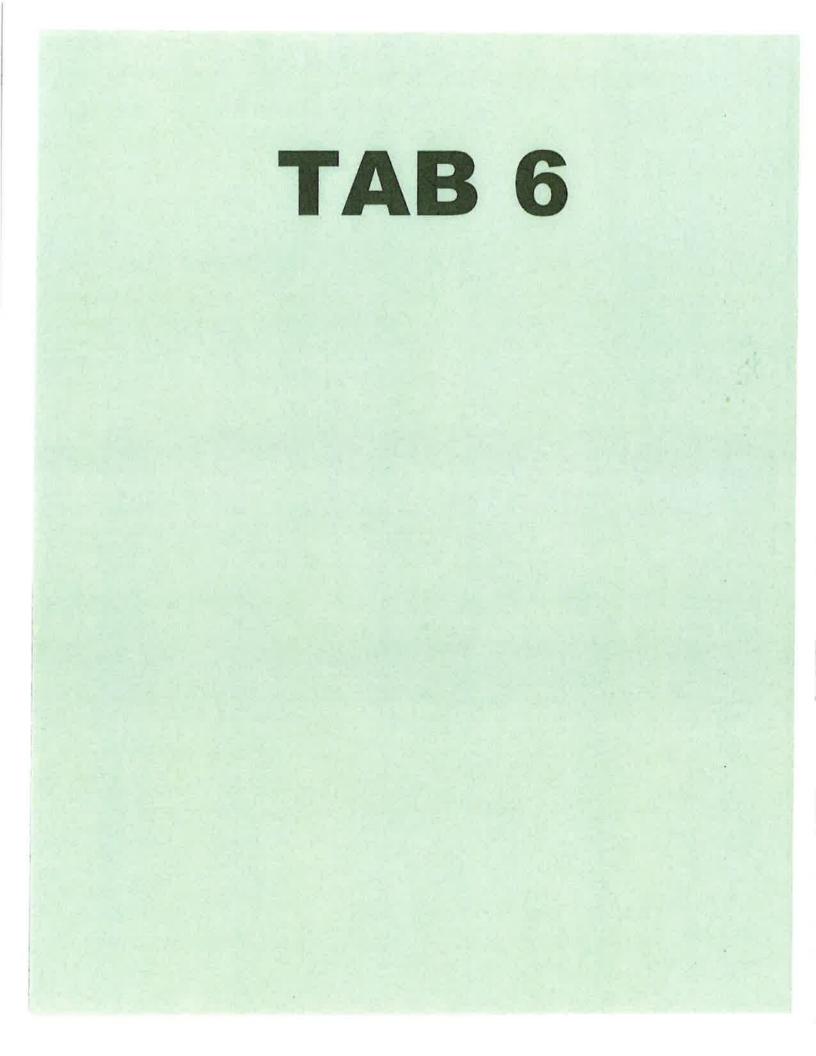
Billed at cost of materials and hours of labor plus 33.3%. Estimated cost billed and collected in advance. Final bill prepared after completion of work. Under payments are due payable upon completion of the work. Refunds for overpayments to be paid within 30 days.

## ARB Installation

\$47 per installation for City owned meters. Billed in arrears, due and payable when rendered.

#### Interest Rate on Delinquent Accounts

Bills delinquent after 30 days from the due date of the bill will accrue interest at the rate of 1.5% beginning from the due date of the bill.



# Woonsocket Water Division - Docket No. 4879 – Rate Filing Service List 5/23/2023

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