

RESOLUTION 2012- 047

**RESOLUTION APPROVING ADJUSTMENTS
TO RATE SCHEDULE**

WHEREAS, The Bordentown Sewerage Authority published Notice of proposed adjustments of its Rate Schedule and of the time and place of the public hearing thereon in two newspapers of general circulation in the area serviced by the Authority and mailed said Notice to the clerk of each municipality serviced by the Authority, all at least twenty days preceding the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Authority conducted a public hearing on the proposed adjustments of its Rate Schedule on Monday, June 18, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. at the offices of the Authority as indicated in the publication of Notice; and

WHEREAS, the Authority provided evidence at the hearing showing that the proposed adjustments of its Rate Schedule are necessary and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Authority provided the opportunity for cross-examination of persons offering such evidence at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Authority ordered that a transcript of the hearing be made and a copy thereof be available upon request to any interested party at a reasonable fee; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has considered the proposed adjustments to its Rate Schedule, as well as all evidence presented through direct and cross-examination, as well as all comments made by those members of the public in attendance at the aforesaid public hearing, as well as any written comments that may have been received; and

WHEREAS, the Authority having been satisfied from all of the evidence and comments presented that the proposed adjustments of the Rate Schedule are in accordance with the Statute and are reasonable and necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this 18th day of June, 2012 that the proposed adjustments to the Rate Schedule, as attached to this Resolution, be and the same are hereby approved and adopted by the Authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proposed adjustments to the Rate Schedule shall become effective on July 1, 2012, except for Schedule 4, Connection Fees, which shall become effective on June 19, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provisions of The Bordentown Sewerage Authority Rules and Regulations pertaining to the time or times when and the place or places where such charges shall be due and payable be and the same are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the Rate Schedule in effect shall at all times be kept on file at the office of the Authority and shall at all reasonable times be open to public inspection.

THE BORDENTOWN SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

By: 
Ronald L. Marino, Chairman

ATTEST:


Nancy A. Liberman, Secretary

RATE SCHEDULE
OF
THE BORDENTOWN SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
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BORDENTOWN, NEW JERSEY 08505
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LATEST REVISION:

ADOPTED:
June 18, 2012

EFFECTIVE DATE:
Connection Fees:
June 19, 2012

Service Charges:
July 1, 2012

RATE SCHEDULE

The provisions of the Bordentown Sewerage Authority Rules and Regulations which fix and determine the time or times when, and the place or places where, the charges contained in this Rate Schedule are due and payable are incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

THE BORDENTOWN SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

SCHEDULE 1

SANITARY SEWER SERVICE CHARGES

	<u>QUARTERLY</u>	<u>ANNUALLY</u>
CLASS 1: RESIDENTIAL		
Single-family, condominium, townhouse, multifamily, apartment, trailer, mobile home.		
Base Rate per Unit	\$69.90	\$279.60
Consumption	\$2.40 per 1,000 gal.	\$2.40 per 1,000 gal.

Base rate shall be billed in advance each quarter. Consumption shall be billed in arrears each quarter based upon the water consumption records of the City of Bordentown Water Department. All overdue accounts shall be charged interest at the rate of one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) per month.

CLASS 2: NON-RESIDENTIAL: HOTEL OR MOTEL

Hotel or motel

Base Rate per Unit *	\$34.95	\$139.80
Consumption	\$2.40 per 1,000 gal.	\$2.40 per 1,000 gal.

* This portion of the Service Charges applies only to the number of units available for occupancy. The balance of the service charge is based upon consumption from the remainder of the building, including kitchens, restaurants, taverns, laundries, offices, convention or meeting rooms, sport or athletic facilities, common areas and restrooms and the like.

Base rate shall be billed in advance each quarter. Consumption shall be billed in arrears each quarter based upon the water consumption records of the City of Bordentown Water Department. All overdue accounts shall be charged interest at the rate of one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) per month.

CLASS 3: NON-RESIDENTIAL: GENERAL
(except schools)

One (1) base unit for each
18,000 gallons of water usage
or part thereof per quarter

Base Rate per Unit	\$69.90	\$279.60
Consumption	\$2.40 per 1,000 gal.	\$2.40 per 1,000 gal.

The number of base units for shall be determined quarterly and shall be based on the last available quarter of water consumption records of the City of Bordentown or on calibrated and metered sewage flow, or, in the case of a new facility, upon the estimated average daily flow of sewage.

The minimum charge per quarter shall be \$69.90 per unit plus \$2.40 per 1,000 gallons per unit. The base rate shall be billed in advance each quarter. Consumption shall be billed in arrears each quarter based upon the water consumption records of the City of Bordentown Water Department. All overdue accounts shall be charged interest at the rate of one and one half percent (1 ½%) per month.

CLASS 4: NON-RESIDENTIAL: SCHOOLS

One (1) base unit plus an
additional base unit for each
20 students and staff or part thereof.

Base Rate per Unit	\$69.90	\$279.60
Consumption	\$2.40 per 1,000 gal.	\$2.40 per 1,000 gal.

The number of base units shall be determined prior to each quarterly billing.

The minimum charge per quarter shall be \$69.60 per unit plus \$2.40 per 1,000 gallons per unit. The base rate shall be billed in advance each quarter. Consumption shall be billed in arrears each quarter based upon the water consumption records of the City of Bordentown Water Department. All overdue accounts shall be charged interest at the rate of one and one half percent (1 ½%) per month.

CLASS 5: TEMPORARY DISCHARGE RATE

Consumption	\$15.00 per 1,000 gal.
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This rate shall apply to wastewater from facilities that are not directly connected to the Authority's collection system or which is otherwise hauled or transported by the customer to the Authority for treatment. This rate does not include hauling or transportation by the Authority and is for treatment only. This rate also does not include laboratory or testing charges, which shall be billed separately. The Authority reserves the right to require a deposit in the estimated amount of this service charge for a period of up to one year in advance.

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SCHEDULE 2

GARBAGE DISPOSAL FEES

A. Residential, Class I

\$10.00 per garbage disposal unit per quarter, to be billed in advance.

B. Non-Residential, Class 1,2 and 3

\$10.00 per garbage disposal unit per base unit per quarter, to be billed in advance. This fee shall not apply to a customer that provides for pretreatment of sewage pursuant to NJDEP/SIU and BSA/S-5 permits.

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SCHEDULE 3

**DISCOUNTS FOR CERTAIN SENIOR CITIZENS AND
PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED PERSONS**

Any person who is billed for sewer services to a property which he or she owns and occupies and who has been approved by the City of Bordentown or the Township of Bordentown to receive a deduction against the tax assessed against the property under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:4-8.40 shall be entitled to a discounted rate for sanitary sewer service to the property. This discount shall apply to Schedule 1, Class 1, residential service charges only and does not apply to connection fees, hotel and motel or other non-residential uses, temporary discharges, interest, late charges, application review and inspection fees, and miscellaneous charges imposed by the Authority. Proportionate discounts, when appropriate, shall be made in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:4-8.46.

Written application for the discounted rate shall be made annually on a calendar year basis to the Authority on forms provided by the Authority. The discounted rate shall become effective with the first bill issued for sewer service charges after approval of the application. The discount shall remain in effect until December 31 of the calendar year, or until any change of ownership occurs or the person no longer qualifies under the Statute for the deduction against the tax assessed, whichever occurs earlier.

The discounted rate is as follows:

	<u>QUARTERLY</u>	<u>ANNUALLY</u>
CLASS 1: RESIDENTIAL		
Single-family, condominium, townhouse, multifamily, apartment, trailer, mobile home.		
Base Rate Per Unit	\$55.00	\$220.00
Consumption	\$2.04 per 1000 gal.	\$2.04 per 1000 gal.

Base rate shall be billed in advance each quarter. Consumption shall be billed in arrears each quarter based upon the water consumption records of the City of Bordentown Water Department. All overdue accounts shall be charged interest at the rate of one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) per month.

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SCHEDULE 4
CONNECTION FEES**

CLASS 1: RESIDENTIAL \$6,990.00

Single-family, condominiums, townhouses,
apartments, multifamily, duplex, age restricted, trailers,
mobile homes (Per unit)

CLASS 2: NON-RESIDENTIAL: HOTEL OR MOTEL

(Per guest room) \$3,495.00

This portion of the connection fee applies only to the number of units available for transient occupancy. The connection fee for the non-occupancy portion of the building shall be based upon estimated usage from the remainder of the building, including kitchens, restaurants, taverns, laundries, offices, convention or meeting rooms, sport or athletic facilities, common areas and restrooms, at the Class 3 per gallon per day rate.

CLASS 3: NON-RESIDENTIAL: GENERAL

Per gallon per day	\$45.00
Minimum connection fee (per unit)	\$6,990.00

CLASS 6: CERTAIN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS

Connection fees to public housing authorities and non-profit organizations building affordable housing projects that consist of new connections to the system are to be computed by providing a 50% reduction in the connection fee established in this Rate Schedule.

Connection fees to public housing authorities and non-profit organizations building affordable housing projects that consist of replacement units for demolished or refurbished units, and for which a connection fee was previously paid, are to be computed by charging the lesser of a.) the reduced rate of 50% of the connection fee established in this Rate Schedule, or b.) the connection fee established in this Rate Schedule, minus a credit in the amount of a connection fee previously paid for the housing units being replaced, provided the public housing authority and non-profit organization can establish the connection fee previously paid. If the amount of the previous connection fee cannot be established, the reduced rate of 50% of the connection fee established in this Rate Schedule shall apply.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO SEWER CONNECTION FEES

A. An applicant shall pay a sewer connection fee for each equivalent dwelling unit at the time that a sewer permit is requested, in an amount as established by the Authority's Rate Schedule in effect at the time that service is requested. All sewer connection fees shall be paid in full prior to the issuance of a construction permit for the premises.

B. Connection fees for non-residential users shall be based upon the Authority's calculation of estimated usage multiplied by the rate per gallon per day contained in the Rate Schedule. A minimum sewer connection charge for non-residential users shall be imposed, in an amount equal to the residential connection fee regardless of whether the estimated usage is less than the residential rate of usage.

C. The projected flow criteria contained in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3 shall be used to determine the estimated sewer usage for non-residential uses, whenever practicable. In the event that a type of use is not listed in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3, the Authority shall use its best judgment in determining estimated sewer usage. The Authority may adopt additions or exceptions to the flow projections contained in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3 by resolution. For the purpose of this Rate Schedule, any reference to "seat" or "person" in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3 or in any projected flow criteria adopted by the Authority shall be deemed to mean the maximum permitted occupancy established pursuant to the Uniform Construction Code and/or the Uniform Fire Code.

D. In the event that an application is made for sewer service to a non-residential building or unit for which the types or sizes of the uses therein have not been determined by the applicant, or are subject to change in the future, a connection fee shall be assessed based upon the maximum potential estimated sewer usage in the building or unit. The Authority, in its discretion, may enter into a deferred connection fee agreement under which an initial connection fee would be imposed only for those uses that are initially contemplated, and which would defer the payment of the balance of the connection fee until such time as a use for which the initial connection fee was paid is changed to a use that will generate additional sewer usage. Any connection fee paid under a deferred connection fee agreement shall be paid at the connection fee rate then prevailing at that time that payment is made.

E. A non-residential user shall be entitled to use the amount of sewer capacity, in gallons per day, that was obtained through the payment of connection fees, as well as such additional capacity actually used by its building or unit without having undergone a physical or operational change for which a building permit, site plan, subdivision, variance or other municipal approval was required. An application for additional capacity shall be made by any existing non-residential user whenever there is an increase in the estimated, projected sewer usage for any existing building or unit resulting from any physical or operational change for which a building permit, site plan, subdivision, variance or other municipal approval is required. A connection fee shall be charged to the user based upon the increase in estimated sewer usage associated with the aforesaid physical or operational change.

F. In the event that an application is made to reinstate sewer service to a residential structure that was previously abandoned or terminated when the prior structure was demolished or substantially totally destroyed, no additional connection fee shall be due provided that the application for service is made within three (3) years of the date of the prior termination of service.

G. In the event that an application is made to reinstate sewer service to a non-residential structure that was previously abandoned or terminated when the prior structure was demolished or substantially totally destroyed, no additional connection fee shall be due, provided that: (1) the application for service is made within three (3) years of the date of the prior termination of service and (2) there is no change in the estimated sewer usage of the building. In the event that condition (1) herein has been satisfied, but there will be an increase in the estimated sewer usage of the building, then the applicant shall pay a connection fee only on the amount of the increase in the estimated sewer usage.

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SCHEDULE 5

SURCHARGE FOR TREATMENT OF NON-DOMESTIC SEWAGE

The service charge for sewer service for the collection and treatment of non-domestic sewage discharged into the Authority's system shall be based upon the service charge as computed under SCHEDULE 1 and product of the surcharge as determined as a strength factor in accordance with the following formula, providing that the waste is amenable to Biological Treatment:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} & 44 & \\ + & 23 & \frac{(\text{BOD in ppm})^*}{300} \\ + & 31 & \frac{(\text{SS in ppm}^{**})^*}{250} \\ + & 2 & \frac{(\text{Chlorine Demand in ppm})^*}{10} \\ = & & \text{Surcharge Percentage} \end{array}$$

* Where these figures are less than 300 ppm in BOD or 250 ppm in suspended solids, or 10 ppm in chlorine demand, the value in the parenthesis shall be equal to "1".

** In cases where the suspended solids, in the opinion of the Authority, do not represent the true characteristics of the solids loading, the Authority reserves the right to use total solids instead of suspended solids.

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SCHEDULE 6

DEVELOPMENT, APPLICATION, REVIEW AND INSPECTION FEES

S-1	Application Fee	-	\$35.00 (1-2 EDU's) (non-refundable)
		-	\$100.00 (more than 2 EDU's) (non-refundable)
S-1	Conceptual Review Fee	-	\$25.00 per EDU (escrowed)
S-3	Additional Escrow Fee	-	(Items 2 to 5 are escrowed)
	(1) Filing Fee--		\$35.00 (non-refundable)
	(2) 8" Sewer Lines--		\$0.08 per foot
	(3) Lines in excess of 8"--		\$0.12 per foot
	(4) Pumping stations and/or Treatment Works--		2% of the Authority Engineer's Estimated Cost of Construction
	(5) Inspection fees at the rate of 6% of Engineer's Estimated Cost of Improvements including mains, laterals, manholes, pumping stations and/or treatment works, and miscellaneous sewerage appurtenances.		
S-5	Significant User Application Fee	-	\$200.00 (non-refundable) \$1,500.00 (escrowed)

The amount which the Authority reimburses itself for the expenses of professional reviews and other services shall be the amount charged to the Authority for said reviews or services which shall be based on the hourly rate or other agreed rate then in effect with the person providing said service. In the event that the escrow account is depleted, the applicant shall post additional funds with the Authority in an amount to be set by the Authority.

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SCHEDULE 7

MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES

1. House-Call Charge..... \$15.00
For dispatching an employee to terminate service. In lieu of discontinuation and resumption charge if bill is paid prior to actual discontinuation of service.
2. Discontinuation & Resumption Charge... \$40.00
For both discontinuing and resuming service.
3. Final Bill Charge..... \$15.00
4. New Account Charge..... \$15.00
5. Reprocessing Charge..... \$25.00
For redepositing a customer check which has not been honored for payment.
6. Plant Labor, Material and Equipment
 - (a) Plant labor shall be charged at the hourly rate in effect at the time that labor is performed, plus 40% for fringe benefits and overhead.
 - (b) Materials and equipment shall be charged at the cost of said items to the Authority, plus 25% for overhead and handling.
 - (c) Equipment owned and provided by the Authority shall be charged at the latest rental rates published by a reputable equipment rental company.
7. Fine for Violation of Rules and Regulations
Up to a maximum of..... \$200.00/day violation/unit

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SCHEDULE 8

LABORATORY CHARGES

(per test)

Ammonia – N.....	\$30.00
BOD5.....	\$30.00
Copper.....	\$26.00
Total Phosphorous as P.....	\$26.00
Total Dissolved Solids.....	\$25.00
Total Suspended Solids.....	\$25.00
Oil and Grease.....	\$50.00
Ph.....	\$20.00