



## 2007 WATER AND SEWER RATES

### Water Rates

Sarnia City Council has approved the following metered water rates schedule for 2007:

<u>Size of Meter</u>	<u>Monthly Water Distribution Charge</u>	<u>Rate per cubic meter of Water Consumed</u>
5 / 8"	\$ 9.75	85.82 cents
3 / 4"	13.77	85.82 cents
1"	24.13	85.82 cents
1 1 / 2 "	48.26	85.82 cents
2"	89.18	85.82 cents
3"	171.64	85.82 cents
4"	268.20	85.82 cents
6"	557.52	85.82 cents
8"	1,072.65	85.82 cents
10"	1,776.86	85.82 cents

The 2007 water and sewer rates will be effective March 1, 2007.

The 2007 water rates reflect an increase of 2.2% in the water distribution charge and 14.89% in the consumption charge.

Funds generated through the water rates are used to cover the costs to operate and maintain the City's water distribution system in order that water acquired through the Lambton Area Water Supply System (LAWSS) is provided to municipal ratepayers.

### Sewer Charge

The sewer surcharge is calculated at 90% of the total water bill i.e. the monthly water distribution charge plus consumption charge.

Funds generated through the sewer charge are used to cover the costs to operate and maintain the City's sanitary sewage system including the sewage treatment plant.

Anyone who does not have access to the municipal sanitary sewer system may apply to the City for an exemption from the sewer charge.

**Note:** The 2006 and January-February 2007 portion of your bill is billed at 2006 rates.  
 The March-December 2007 portion of your bill is billed at 2007 rates.

### Minimum Bill

The minimum bill for any month, or any part of the month, will be the applicable monthly water distribution charge plus sewer charge.

### Bluewater Power

Meter reading, billing and payment collection of the City's water and sewer charges is managed by Bluewater Power Distribution. Bluewater Power issues invoices for both your water and hydro usage on the same bill.

### Leaks Cost You Money

A continuous water leak will result in significant water consumption and unnecessary water and sewer charges. Please ensure that your toilet does not run continuously or that you do not have any other water running unnecessarily.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to keep the area around your water meter clear of obstructions such as brush, flower pots, and vehicles.