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STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

No. 102 of 2004

BYELAWS made by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to the powers conferred upon it by section 87 of the Water Industry Act (No.1 of 2001) after consultation with licensees and with the approval of the Minister and all other powers thereunto it enabling.

(Gazetted 12th June, 2004)

1. These Byelaws may be cited as the

WATER AND SEWERAGE (TARIFFS) (AMENDMENT) BYELAWS, 2004.

SI 67/2002

and shall be read and construed as one with the Water and Sewerage (Tariffs) Byelaws, 2002, which as amended, is hereinafter called the principal Byelaws.

Amendment of Byelaw 2

2. Byelaw 2 of the principal Byelaws is hereby amended by the insertion of the following definition in its proper alphabetical order:

"Notified Items" means unavoidable costs incurred by a licensee proved to the satisfaction of the PUC and are costs due to factors outside of a licensee's control being one or a combination of bad debt costs, electricity rate costs, interest costs, or inflation. Amendment of Byelaw 13 3. Byelaw 13 of the principal Byelaws is hereby amended by the addition of a new paragraph immediately after paragraph (3) as follows:

"(4) In determining the tariffs for any Full Tariff Period, the PUC shall take into account notified items and the performance standards of the licensee."

Amendment of Byelaw 15 4. Byelaw 15(1) of the principal Byelaws is hereby amended by substituting the words "six months" for the words "five months" occurring therein.

Amendment of Byelaw 25 5. Byelaw 25(2) of the Principal Byelaws is hereby amended by substituting the word "may" for the word "shall" occurring therein.

Addition of Byelaw 37A 6. The Principal Byelaw are hereby amended by the addition of a new Byelaw immediately after Byelaw 37 as follows:

"37A. In the case of notified items, where upon application by a licensee it has been proved by the said licensee to the satisfaction of the PUC that adjustments to Tariffs are necessary, the PUC may without conducting Full Tariff review proceedings or Annual Review proceedings approve adjustments to Tariffs."

Repeal and Replacement of Byelaw 38 7. Byelaw 38 of the principal Byelaws is hereby repealed and replaced by the following:

"38. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Byelaws, the tariffs, terms and conditions for the supply of water and sewerage services (except infrastructure charges) shall be those specified in schedule 3.

Schedule 3

SI 42/2001

- (2) Water and sewerage infrastructure charges shall be those specified in Water and Sewerage (Infrastructure Charges) Order, 2001.
- (3) Where the PUC in the exercise of its discretion considers it appropriate, it may order that the Tariffs specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) above shall apply to any subsequent licensee subject to such modifications as the PUC may determine in writing after consultation with such licensee."

SI 150/1996

SI 120/1997

(4) Water and Sewerage (Rates) Order, 1996 and water and Sewerage (Rates) (San Pedro) Order, 1997 are hereby repealed.

Addition of Byelaw 38A

- 8. The principal Byelaws are hereby amended by the addition of a new Byelaw immediately after Byelaw 38 as follows:
 - "38A (1) The PUC may after consultation with the licensee establish performance standards for the licensee.
 - (2) Where the licensee fails to meet the established standards, the PUC may refuse to grant the licensee an increase in tariffs."

Addition of Schedule 3	9. The principal Byelaws are hereby amended by the addition of a new schedule 3 immediately after schedule 2.
Commencement	9. These Byelaws shall come into force on the day of 2004.
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	MADE by the Public Utilities Commission, after consultation with the licensee, this19day of April 2004.
	Chairman (Public Utilities Commission)
	APPROVED by the Minister responsible for Water and Sewerage this _19day of April 2004.

Minister responsible for Water and Sewerage

John Briceño

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Schedule 3

(Byelaw 38)

Per US Gallon (4/5 Imperial Gallon)

Part I

Areas of Supply Conditions

A. Those areas of Belize City and Belmopan City within the sewer zones.

Rates and

2.(a) In any one month for less than 1,001 gallons a fee of

....\$9.00

(b)
Proportionate
fee for every
gallon
thereafter up to
2,000 gallons
inclusive at the
rate per 1,000
gallons of
......\$15.0

(c)
Proportionate
fee for every
gallon above
2,000 gallons
and up to 3,000
gallons
inclusive at the
rate per 1,000
gallons of
........\$16.50

(d) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 3,000 gallons and up to 4,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons\$17.50 (e) Proportionate fee for every

gallon above 4,000 gallons and up to 5,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of \$18.50 (f) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 5,000 gallons and up to 6,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$19.50 (g) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 6,000 gallons and up to 7,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$20.00 (h) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 7,000 gallons and up to 8,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$20.50 (i) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 8,000 at the rate per 1,000 gallons of ...\$21.00

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B. Corozal, Orange Walk, Benque Viejo del Carmen, San Ignacio/Santa Elena, 2.(a) In any one month for less than **Dangriga**, **Punta Gorda**, **Burrell Boom**, **San Jose Succotz**, **Ladyville**, **Sandhill**, 1,001 gallons a fee of

Hattieville, Roaring Creek, Camalote, Teakettle, and those areas of Belize City \$7.50

and Belmopan outside of sewer zones and all other sub-urban and villages serviced by Belize Water Services Limited.

- (b) Proportionate fee for every gallon thereafter up to 2,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$11.50
- Proportionate (c) fee for every gallon above 2,000 gallons and up to 3,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons

.....\$12.50

- (d) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 3,000 gallons and up to 4,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of \$13.00
- (e) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 4,000 gallons and up to 5,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons

.....\$13.50

(f) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 5,000 gallons and up to 6,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$14.50

(g) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 6,000 gallons and up to 7,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons

.....\$15.50

(h) Proportionate fee every gallon above 7,000 gallons and up to 8,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000

gallons of\$16.00

(i) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 8,000 at the rate per 1,000 gallons of ...\$16.50

C. San Pedro, Ambergris Caye

2.(a) In any one month for less than 1,001 gallons a fee of

.....

\$22.00

(b) Proportionate fee for every gallon thereafter up to 2,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$26.00

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(c) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 2,000 gallons and up to 3,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$28.00

(d) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 3,000 gallons and up to 4,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$30.00

(e) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 4,000 gallons and up to 5,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of

(f) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 5,000 gallons

\$32.00

and up to 6,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$38.00

- (g) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 6,000 gallons and up to 7,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of\$45.00
- (h) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 7,000 gallons and up to 8,000 gallons inclusive at the rate per 1,000 gallons of \$50.00
- (i) Proportionate fee for every gallon above 8,000 at the rate per 1,000 gallons of ...\$55.00

Part II Other Charges Description Fee

Reconnection Fee (Belize City & Bmp) 25.00

Reconnection Fee (Other BWS Service Areas excl. S. P.)

25.00

Reconnection Fee(San Pedro)

25.00

Transfer Fee (Belize City & Bmp)

20.00

Transfer Fee (Other BWS Service Areas excl. S. P.)

20.00

Transfer Fee(San Pedro)

20.00

Water Connection Fee Residential (Belize City & Bmp)

85.00

Water Connection Fee Commercial (Belize City & Bmp)

variable

Water Connection Fee Residential (Other BWS Service Areas excl. S.P.)

85.00

Water Connection Fee Commercial(Other BWS Service Areas excl. S.P.) variable

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Water Connection Fee Residential (San Pedro) 127.50 Water Connection Fee Commercial (San Pedro.) 637.50

Sewer Connection Fee Residential (Belize City & Bmp)

Sewer Connection Fee Commercial (Belize City & Bmp)

variable

Sewer Connection Fee Residential (Other BWS Service Areas excl. S.P.)

Sewer Connection Fee Commercial(Other BWS Service Areas excl. S.P.)

Sewer Connection Fee Residential (San Pedro)

150.00

Sewer Connection Fee Commercial (San Pedro.)

variable

Part III **Security Deposits**

Security Deposit Residential (Belize City & Bmp)	50.00
Security Deposit Commercial (Belize City & Bmp)	200.00
Security Deposit Residential (Other BWS Service Areas excl. S.P.)	50.00
Security Deposit Commercial (Other BWS Service Areas excl. S.P.)	200.00
Security Deposit Residential (San Pedro)	50.00
Security Deposit Commercial (San Pedro)	300.00

Provided however, where a customer is disconnected for nonpayment of tariffs more than twice within a twelve month period the licensee shall require that the security deposit be an amount equivalent to three times the average monthly bill rounded up to nearest \$10 (based an the last six months or the full customer history if the customer has been connected for less than six months). The customer shall not be required to pay any additional amount where the existing deposit meets or exceeds the above calculation.