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NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that The Mount Holly Municipal Utilities Authority shall hold a public hearing on proposed adjustments to its service charge and connection fee rate schedules and on Thursday, June 12, 2008, at 4:30 p.m., at the Authority office, 37 Washington Street, Mount Holly, New Jersey 08060. The Authority shall provide evidence at the hearing showing that the proposed adjustments are necessary and reasonable and shall provide the opportunity for cross-examination on such evidence. A transcript of the hearing shall be made and a copy thereof shall be available upon request to any interested party upon payment of a reasonable fee. The proposed adjustments to service charge and connection fee rate schedules follow:

(Rate schedule adjustments attached)

THE MOUNT HOLLY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

/s/ William G. Dunn
William G. Dunn
Executive Director

SCHEDULE 1 CONNECTION FEES

A. WITHIN MOUNT HOLLY TOWNSHIP

CLASS 1: RESIDENTIAL \$3,194.00

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

CLASS 2: NON RESIDENTIAL: HOTEL OR MOTEL

(Per guest room) \$1,597.00

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 \$13.81
Minimum connection fee (per unit) \$3,194.00

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 per unit is less than the residential rate of usage.

CLASS 4: 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.

B. OUTSIDE MOUNT HOLLY TOWNSHIP

CLASS 1: RESIDENTIAL \$4,791.00

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

CLASS 2: NON RESIDENTIAL: HOTEL OR MOTEL

(Per guest room) \$2,395.00

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 \$20.72
Minimum connection fee (per unit) \$4,791.00

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GENERAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO ALL SEWER CONNECTION FEES

A. An applicant shall pay a sewer connection fee prior to the time that a certificate of occupancy is issued for the building, in an amount as established by the Authority's Rate Schedule in effect at the time that a complete application for the certificate of occupancy is made.

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 the 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 because of catastrophe, no additional connection fee shall be due, provided that the applicant has continued to pay sewer service charges for the property on a quarterly basis as those charges became due.

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 because of catastrophe, no additional connection fee shall be due, provided that: (1) the applicant has continued to pay sewer service charges for the property on a quarterly basis as those charges became due, 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.

H. Any connection must be made within one (1) month of the date that the sewer connection permit is issued. The permit will become void if the connection is not made within the one (1) month period, but the permit may be renewed for additional periods of one (1) month each upon payment of any increase in the amount of connection fees over the connection fee paid at the time of issuance of the original sewer permit, and compliance with any change in the Authority's Rules and Regulations.

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