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**COLUMBIA PARK WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM**  
**1080 Pittsford-Victor Road**  
**Pittsford, New York 14534**  
**585-381-0570**  
**Ohio Office: 440-235-5300**

05/08/2015

Public Utility Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Re: Columbia Park Water and Sewer System PWA  
Case #15-295-WPWA  
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To whom it may concern;

As you know Columbia Park Water and Sewer system first applied for a purchase water rate increase back on February 9, 2015 based on what our current water supplier is charging us.

PUCO approved our purchased water rate increase on April 29, 2015.

Inasmuch as we would like the approved rates to go into effect as soon as possible and within PUCO guidelines. We are already on schedule in the next 2 weeks to begin reading for our 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter billing. The timing is under the required 45 day waiting period before the new rates can be charged.

At this time we do not have the staffing to gather additional readings of our customers to prorate charges accordingly once the wait period expires.

It is for the above reason that we have chosen to charge the new approved rate beginning with our 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter water billing that goes out on 9/1/15.

Sincerely;

*Tonya Ramsey*

Tonya Ramsey  
Property Manager

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Dear Columbia Park Water and Sewer System Customer:

Ohio Revised Code Section 4909.171 provides that when a water company, such as Columbia Park Water and Sewer System, under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio receives its water supply from a municipal corporation, other local governmental unit, such as the City of Cleveland, or other water company under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, it may change its rates to reflect either increases or decreases in rates imposed on it by the municipal corporation, other local governmental unit, or other water company, after it has given notice of the change to the Commission. This procedure saves Columbia Park Water and Sewer System customers from bearing the expense of a rate case whenever the City changes its rates to Columbia Park Water and Sewer System.

In 2015, the City of Cleveland increased its rates to Columbia Park Water and Sewer System. Columbia Park Water and Sewer System notified the Commission of the City of Cleveland water rates on 02/9/2015. New Columbia Park Water and Sewer System water rates will become effective with the start of the next billing cycle, on 09/01/2015.

The new Columbia Park Water and Sewer System water rate represents only the change in the rates from the City of Cleveland. No other costs of Columbia Park Water and Sewer System have been figured into the rate. Should Columbia Park Water and Sewer System wish to have other costs reflected in its rates, such as an increase in taxes, or addition to plant, it will be required to file an application for an increase in rates, for which traditional ratemaking procedures, including a public hearing will be scheduled.

Below is a comparison of the current rates and the new rates as a result of the increase from the City of Cleveland:

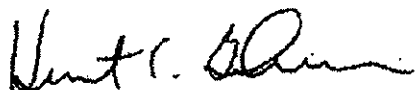
<u>Usage Bracket</u> (Mcf/mo.)	<u>CURRENT RATE</u>		<u>NEW RATE</u>	
	Base Rate	Purchased Water Rate	Base Rate	Purchased Water Rate
Per Mcf	\$9.04	\$41.67	\$9.04	\$43.03
Per Mcf	Total Water Rate \$50.71		Total Water Rate \$52.07	

Below is a typical bill comparison showing the impact of the increase from the City of Cleveland:

	<u>Quarterly Usage (Mcf)</u>	<u>Current Billing</u>	<u>New Billing</u>	<u>Percent Increase</u>	<u>Increase Per Quarter</u>
Average	1.048	\$53.14	\$54.56	2.69%	\$ 1.42
Low	0.500	\$25.35	\$26.03	2.69%	\$ 0.68
High	2.000	\$101.42	\$104.14	2.69%	\$ 1.78

As you can see, under the revised rates, an average Columbia Park Water and Sewer System customer who paid \$53.14 per quarter under the current rates will pay \$54.56 per quarter under the new rates, an increase of \$1.42 per quarter.

If you have any questions about the above information or about your bill, please feel free to call us (440-235-5300) or come into the office to see the tariffs between the hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm weekdays at the management office at 7100 Columbia Road, Olmsted Falls, OH. You can also write to the company at its New York office at 1080 Pittsford-Victor Road, Pittsford, New York 14534.



Kenneth C. Burnham, for  
Columbia Park Water and Sewer System

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### III. RATE SCHEDULE

The quantity of water passing through and recorded by the customer's water meter shall be the basis for computing the quarterly charges for the sewer service.

#### A. QUARTERLY RATES

Customer Charge	\$2.51		
Water	\$43.03 purchase water	Sewer	\$36.14/mcf* (based on
	<u>\$9.04</u> base rate		water consumption)
	\$52.07/mcf*		

\*Thousand Cubic Feet

#### B. RECONNECTION CHARGE

A reconnection charge of \$20.00 will be made on the customer's first billing cycle following the reconnection date.

#### C. LATE PAYMENT CHARGE

Each bill which is not paid within twenty days of the date shown on the bill will be assessed a late payment service charge of 5% on the unpaid balance. Such late payment charge will not be compounded on future delinquencies and will be assessed to current charges only.

#### D. DISHONORED PAYMENT CHARGE

When payment is received as payment for water and/or sewer services and is returned by a financial institution as unpaid, the customer will be assessed a \$25.00 charge (per returned payment).

#### E. FREEZE PLATES

Should it be necessary to replace the freeze plate on any meter due to freezing caused by customer negligence, a charge of \$13.00 will be made on the customer's first billing cycle following replacement date.

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