

## Christi Water System, Inc.

200 Perry Street  
Defiance, Ohio 43512  
419-782-1176  
Or 419-438-7777

October 29, 2021

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
Attn: Docketing  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215-3793

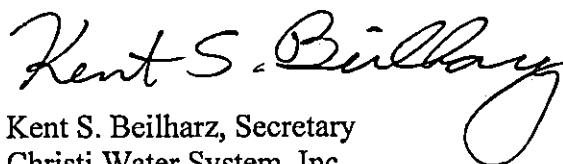
Re: Case No. 20-1428-WW-AIR  
Customer Notices for increase in water rates.

To Whom It May Concern:

As requested, please note that the approved customer letters were mailed, through special mailing, to all customers on October 29, 2021 concerning the base rate increase to be effective on 11-01-2021.

Attached is the final Tariff, Customer Rights, and Sample Bill, to be filed to complete this increase. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Yours truly,



Kent S. Beilharz, Secretary  
Christi Water System, Inc.

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Re: Increase in base water rates

## Dear Christi Water Customer:

On August 24, 2020, and amended on September 24, 2020, the Christi Water System, Inc. applied for an increase in base rates in Case No. 20-1428-WW-AIR, in order to provide funding for operating revenue. The previous base rate increase was April 15, 2010. The age of our system and the repairs and operating costs needed in the past five years generated the need for funding. On September 23, 2021 the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) approved an increase of 35.79%. New rates to our customers will become effective with bills rendered on or after November 1, 2021. The new Christi Water rates listed in this letter represent the new base rates and the current purchased water rates. Base rates are based on the Company's capital and operating expenses and the purchased water rates cover only the actual cost of the water purchased from the City of Defiance.

Some of the following miscellaneous charges have been updated to reflect current expenses. You may also note that we have re-designed the rate structure to accommodate customers with periods of very low or no usage in their home. The new rates allow for the minimum charge to be charged on anything less than 50 cubic feet per month and will increase from there based on water usage. The details of the changes and the new rate structure are available upon request as described in the Company's Rates and Tariff Document approved and regulated by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

### Notable Changes:

Dishonored Payment Charges will be \$5.00 per incident, billed to the customer's account.

A reconnection charge of actual out-of-pockets costs will be billed to the account if water is disconnected by the Company for non-payment or disconnection requested by a customer.

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

Usage Brackets	Current Rates*	Staff Proposed Rates**	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
0-50 c.f./month	\$26.89	\$34.34	\$7.45	27.69%
51-310 c.f.	0.0891	0.123070	0.033970	38.13%
311-1500 c.f.	0.0827	0.123070	0.040370	48.82%
Over 1500 c.f.	0.0807	0.123070	0.042370	52.50%

\*Current rates include the base rate plus the purchased water rate

Below is a typical bill comparison showing the impact of the increase from new base rates:


Usage Cubit Feet	Current Bill	Proposed Bill	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
50	\$ 26.89	\$ 34.34	\$ 7.45	27.7%
100	\$ 31.35	\$ 40.49	\$ 9.14	29.2%
200	\$ 40.26	\$ 52.80	\$ 12.54	31.1%
300	\$ 49.17	\$ 65.10	\$ 15.93	32.4%
400	\$ 57.50	\$ 77.41	\$ 19.91	34.6%
500	\$ 65.77	\$ 89.72	\$ 23.95	36.4%
600	\$ 74.07	\$ 102.02	\$ 27.95	37.7%
700	\$ 82.31	\$ 114.33	\$ 32.02	38.9%
800	\$ 90.58	\$ 126.64	\$ 36.06	39.8%
900	\$ 98.85	\$ 138.95	\$ 40.10	40.6%
1000	\$ 107.12	\$ 151.25	\$ 44.13	41.2%
1500	\$ 148.47	\$ 212.79	\$ 64.32	43.3%
3000	\$ 269.52	\$ 397.39	\$ 127.87	47.4%
Average	\$ 87.84	\$ 123.33	\$ 35.49	37.0%

As you can see, under the revised rates, an average Christi Water customer who paid \$87.84 under the current rates will pay \$123.33 under the new rates.

If you have any questions about the above information or about your bill, please feel free to call between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. weekdays at 419-782-1176 to speak with Susan Hanely, or if you would like to see the tariffs, come to 200 Perry Street in Defiance, or for further information, write to:

CHRISTI WATER SYSTEM, INC.  
200 Perry Street  
Defiance, Ohio 43512

Sincerely,



Terry E. Beilharz  
President

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Summary: Letter of Notification electronically filed by Mr. Kent Beilharz on behalf of  
Christi Water System, Inc