

# PATTISON WATER COMPANY, INC.

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July 27, 2010

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**An example of our proposed rates is shown below:**

<b>Monthly Rates</b>	<b>Current Rate</b>	<b>Proposed Rate</b>
Base Rate (Zero usage)	\$16.35	\$18.15
0-500 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.00	\$ 1.25
501-2,000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.20	\$ 1.75
2,001-4000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.80	N/A
Over 4000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$3.00	N/A
Over 2000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	N/A	\$3.00
Fire Hydrant Charge*	\$1.00	\$1.00
<b>Sample bill calculated on 750 c.f. of usage plus fire hydrant charge:</b>	<b>\$25.35</b>	<b>\$29.78</b>

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## Notice of Proposed Rate Changes

Mr. Dennis Daly  
8206 Baird Rd NE  
Olympia WA 98516

Dear Dennis,

Pattison Water Company has filed for approval from the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) for permission to increase the rates that we charge. The net effect of the proposed increase will increase our total revenue by \$85,000 per year. If the proposed rates are approved, the new rates will take effect on August 27, 2010.

The flat rate that we have been charging the two Mobile Home Parks that you own was last changed in 2006 along with our other rate changes. We are proposing to continue billing you on a flat rate basis. We arrived at the proposed rate per unit by figuring the over-all percentage increase in revenue that we are requesting versus our revenue in 2009. We anticipate that the overall increase will be 15.88%. We then multiplied your current rate per residential unit by 1.1588 to arrive at \$23.67 per residential unit. We believe that this is a fair way to determine the new rate, but we do not yet know how this proposal will be viewed by the Utilities Commission.

An example of our proposed rate is shown below:

<b>Monthly Rates</b>	<b>Current Rate</b>	<b>Proposed Rate</b>
Base Rate per Residential Unit	\$20.43	\$23.67
Bill calculated on 89 Residential Units	<b>\$1,818.27</b>	<b>\$2,106.63</b>

If you have questions about the proposed filing and how it will affect you, please call Pattison Water Company at (360) 412-1252.

The commission has the authority to set final rates that may be either lower or higher from the company's request, depending on the results of its investigation. Commission staff will make a recommendation to the commissioners at an open meeting in Olympia, which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on August 26, 2010. You will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. If you are unable to attend the open meeting in person, the commission has a bridge line which enables you to participate or listen by telephone. Call 360-664-1234 for instructions the day before the open meeting. You can also comment by using the "Public Comment" feature at the commission's Web site at [utc.wa.gov](http://utc.wa.gov) or by using the contact information below.

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW  
PO Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250  
E-mail: [comments@utc.wa.gov](mailto:comments@utc.wa.gov)  
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## Notice of Proposed Rate Increase for 3/4" Meters

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We are proposing three usage rate blocks to replace the four rate blocks in our tariff. The smallest usage block will run from zero to 500 cubic feet (c.f.) per month. The next block will be from 501 c.f. to 2000 c.f. per month. The final block will be from 2001 c.f. and more per month. One cubic foot equals 7.48 gallons.

**An example of our proposed rates is shown below:**

<b>Monthly Rates</b>	<b>Current Rate</b>	<b>Proposed Rate</b>
Base Rate (Zero usage)	\$24.53	\$27.22
0-500 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.00	\$ 1.25
501-2,000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.20	\$ 1.75
2,001-4000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.80	N/A
Over 4000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$3.00	N/A
Over 2000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	N/A	\$3.00
Fire Hydrant Charge*	\$1.00	\$1.00
<b>Sample bill calculated on 750 c.f. of usage plus fire hydrant charge:</b>	<b>\$32.53</b>	<b>\$37.84</b>

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### **An example of our proposed rates is shown below:**

<b>Monthly Rates</b>	<b>Current Rate</b>	<b>Proposed Rate</b>
Base Rate (Zero usage)	\$40.88	\$45.37
0-500 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.00	\$ 1.25
501-2,000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.20	\$ 1.75
2,001-4000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.80	N/A
Over 4000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$3.00	N/A
Over 2000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	N/A	\$3.00
Fire Hydrant Charge*	\$1.00	\$1.00
<b>Sample bill calculated on 10,000 c.f. of usage plus fire hydrant charge:</b>	<b>\$279.88</b>	<b>\$317.87</b>

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**An example of our proposed rates is shown below:**

Monthly Rates	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Base Rate (Zero usage)	\$81.75	\$90.75
0-500 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.00	\$ 1.25
501-2,000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.20	\$ 1.75
2,001-4000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$1.80	N/A
Over 4000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	\$3.00	N/A
Over 2000 c.f. (per 100 c.f.)	N/A	\$3.00
Fire Hydrant Charge*	\$1.00	\$1.00
<b>Sample bill calculated on 12,000 c.f. of usage plus fire hydrant charge:</b>	<b>\$380.75</b>	<b>\$423.25</b>

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