

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Date: May 31, 2019

Dear Burton Water Customer,

Burton Water Company (BWC) has applied to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") for a surcharge of \$3.18 per month. The purpose of the surcharge is to reimburse the company for expenses incurred in well field protection efforts. As you may remember, there was a major road construction project last summer. The debris from the project was supposed to be taken off-island. Instead, it was deposited on island in the area of the wells that serve you. This posed a threat to your water safety. The company financed a substantial legal effort to get the debris removed and was successful in doing so. This effort protected your water. The surcharge reimburses the company for that effort. The surcharge also covers additional well field testing for the next five years.

If approved, this surcharge would take effect on July 1, 2019 and remain in effect until \$45,792.00 is collected plus state and federal taxes or June 30, 2022, whichever occurs first.

The commission has the authority to set final rates that may be lower or higher than the company's request, depending on the outcome of its investigation. You can submit comments by going to www.utc.wa.gov and clicking "Submit a Comment," or by one of the following options:

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250
E-mail: comments@utc.wa.gov
Telephone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

Commission staff will make a recommendation to the commissioners at an open meeting at Lacey City Council Chambers, located on the first floor of Lacey City Hall, 420 College Street SE, Lacey, Washington at 9:30 a.m. on June 27, 2019. You will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. If you plan to attend the open meeting in person, please call 360-664-1234 the day before to make sure this item is still on the agenda.

A memo containing the staff recommendation will be available on the commission website about three days prior to the open meeting. If a memo is available and view the memo, go to utc.wa.gov. Click on the link near the bottom that says "Documents." Under "Open Meetings," click on "Agendas, meeting minutes, orders." When the open meeting date (see above) appears, click on the memo for this filing. This will take you to a page with the memo and any associated attachments. You will be given an option to open or save the document you choose.

The commission is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the commission at (360) 664-1132 or human_resources@utc.wa.gov.

Customers are always welcome to visit our facilities to see what we've been up to; call Jim or Evan to schedule a tour. If you have any questions concerning this filing please call Burton Water Company at 206-463-0988 (Evan) or 206-463-0005 (Jim).

Sincerely,

Burton Water Company