

September 14, 2009

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Rainier View has filed for approval from the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) a plan to restructure its rates and for an overall increase in its rates. If approved, the new rates will be effective on October 16, 2009.

The filing is the second step of a two-step process to restructure the Company's rates. The first step occurred earlier this year when the Company filed to reduce the treatment surcharge from \$3.29 to \$1.81 per month. The reduction was approved by the commission and is effective as of July 17, 2009.

This second step will remove the generator surcharge of \$0.61 per month and increase basic rates. The overall effect will produce an additional \$164,487 in annual revenue for the Company or an increase of 3.40% compared to 2008 revenues. The table set out below shows the net effect of the decreases and increases on the average customer's monthly bill.

<u>Average Customer</u>	<u>Existing Monthly Bill</u>	<u>Proposed Monthly Bill</u>
Metered Customer	\$24.75	\$25.78
Flat Customer	\$23.80	\$25.81

Below is a schedule that shows how the individual rates are proposed to change:

<u>Residential Charge</u>	<u>Existing Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Treatment Surcharge	\$3.29	\$1.81*
Generator Surcharge	\$0.61	\$0.00
Metered Base Rate		
¾" Meter or less	\$15.80	\$12.20
1" Meter (35 customers)	\$15.80	\$18.15
Monthly Usage		
0-500 cubic feet per 100 cubic feet or portion thereof	N/A	\$0.90
Over 500-3000 cubic feet per 100 cubic feet or portion thereof	\$0.85	\$1.85
Over 3000 cubic feet, per 100 cubic feet or portion thereof.	\$5.00	\$5.00
Flat Rate (Unmetered)	\$19.90	\$24.00
<u>Commercial/Schools</u>	<u>Existing Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Treatment Surcharge	\$3.29	\$1.81*
Generator Surcharge	\$0.61	\$0.00
Metered Base Rate		

1" Meter or less	\$15.80	\$18.30
1 ½" Meter	\$15.80	\$36.60
2" Meter	\$15.80	\$97.60
3" Meter	\$15.80	\$109.80
4" Meter	\$15.80	\$183.00
6" Meter	\$15.80	\$366.00
8" Meter	\$15.80	\$978.00
Monthly Usage		
0-500 cubic feet per 100 cubic feet or portion thereof	N/A	\$1.00
Over 500 cubic feet per 100 cubic feet or portion thereof	\$0.85	\$1.85

*This surcharge, even at the lower rate, expires in approximately three years.

The Company's last general rate increase occurred in 2001. In the eight years since then, there have been increases in wages, medical benefits, cost of chemicals used for treatment, and most products used to provide service.

If you have any questions about the proposed filing and how it will affect you, please call the Company at (253) 537-6634.

The commission has the authority to set rates that may vary from the company's request, depending on the outcome 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 October 15, 2009. You will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. If you are unable to attend the open meeting, the commission has a bridge line which enables you to participate by telephone. Call 360-664-1234 the day before the open meeting for instructions and to sign in. You can also comment by using the "Public Comment" feature at the commission's web site, at utc.wa.gov, or by using the contact information below.

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Sincerely,

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