



# Public Service Commission of Wisconsin

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April 5, 2019

Mr. Ken Gabrielson, Utility Accounting Manager  
City of Oshkosh Water Utility  
215 Church Avenue  
P.O. Box 1130  
Oshkosh, WI 54903

Re: Application of the City of Oshkosh, Winnebago County, 4480-TW-100  
Wisconsin, as a Water Public Utility, for Tariff Changes for  
Monthly Billing

Dear Mr. Gabrielson:

This letter is in response to your request dated March 27, 2019, to change the billing frequency from quarterly to monthly. ([PSC REF#: 362128.](#))

Commission staff reviewed the utility's request and has revised a number of rate schedules to allow for the billing frequency change. Schedules F-1, Upf-1, Mg-1, and Ug-1 have all been updated. Copies of the new schedules are attached for reference. The new tariff sheets have been filed at the Commission under Amendment 50 with an effective date of May 1, 2019.

Please note that the City of Oshkosh Water Utility shall make these tariff changes available to the public at locations where customer payments are accepted, on the utility's internet site, or in a form and place that is otherwise readily accessible to the public, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.19. If copies of the new tariffs are not made available to the public by one day before the effective date, the new tariff provisions shall take effect one day after the date they are made available to the public.

Please update the utility's current tariff by inserting printed copies of the new tariff sheets into the current tariff books. Mark any old rates as "Superseded" and keep them permanently in a separate file pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § 185.19. The utility's current rates and rules must be available for public inspection and review at all of the utility's bill payment stations and at area libraries, pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § 185.22.

This filing is made with the understanding that it does not result in an unauthorized rate increase or service restriction. Additionally, as required by Wis. Stat. § 196.60, the provisions of the filing shall be applied in a non-discriminatory manner.

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If you have any questions, please contact Public Utility Rate Analyst Alex Hanna at 608-267-2336 or via email at [Alex.Hanna@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Alex.Hanna@wisconsin.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric J. Esser". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Eric J. Esser  
Administrator  
Division of Water, Telecommunications, and Consumer Affairs

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Attachments

cc: Jon Cameron, Ehlers

Docket 4480-TW-100

**City of Oshkosh Water Utility**

**Water Rate File Changes**

**New or Amended**

F-1  
Upf-1  
Mg-1  
Ug-1

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**Public Fire Protection Service**

Public fire protection service includes the use of hydrants for fire protection service only and such quantities of water as may be demanded for the purpose of extinguishing fires within the service area. This service shall also include water used for testing equipment and training personnel. For all other purposes, the metered or other rates set forth, or as may be filed with the Public Service Commission, shall apply.

Municipal Charge:

The annual charge for public fire protection service to the City of Oshkosh shall be \$650,000. The utility may bill for this amount in equal installments.

Direct Charge:

Under the Wis. Stat. 196.03(3)(b), the municipality has chosen to have the utility bill the retail general service customers for public fire protection service.

Monthly Public Fire Protection Service Charges:

5/8 - inch meter:	\$ 3.38	3 - inch meter:	\$ 51.00
3/4 - inch meter:	\$ 3.38	4 - inch meter:	\$ 84.00
1 - inch meter:	\$ 8.50	6 - inch meter:	\$ 169.00
1 1/4 - inch meter:	\$ 13.00	8 - inch meter:	\$ 270.00
1 1/2 - inch meter:	\$ 17.00	10 - inch meter:	\$ 405.00
2 - inch meter:	\$ 27.00	12 - inch meter:	\$ 541.00

Customers who are provided service under Schedules Mg-1, Ug-1 or Sg-1 shall also be subject to the charges in this schedule according to the size of their primary meter.

Billing: Same as Schedule Mg-1.

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**Private Fire Protection Service - Unmetered**

This service shall consist of permanent or continuous unmetered connections to the main for the purpose of supplying water to private fire protection systems such as automatic sprinkler systems, standpipes, and private hydrants. This service shall also include reasonable quantities of water used for testing check valves and other backflow prevention devices.

Monthly Private Fire Protection Service Demand Charges:

2 - inch or smaller connection:	\$	6.00
3 - inch connection:	\$	11.00
4 - inch connection:	\$	18.00
6 - inch connection:	\$	36.00
8 - inch connection:	\$	57.00
10 - inch connection:	\$	86.00
12 - inch connection:	\$	115.00
14 - inch connection:	\$	144.00
16 - inch connection:	\$	172.00

Billing: Same as Schedule Mg-1.

**City of Oshkosh Water Utility**

**General Service - Metered**

Monthly Service Charges:

5/8 - inch meter:	\$ 8.60	3 - inch meter:	\$ 54.00
3/4 - inch meter:	\$ 8.60	4 - inch meter:	\$ 79.00
1 - inch meter:	\$ 13.40	6 - inch meter:	\$ 137.00
1 1/4 - inch meter:	\$ 18.00	8 - inch meter:	\$ 207.00
1 1/2 - inch meter:	\$ 23.00	10 - inch meter:	\$ 294.00
2 - inch meter:	\$ 35.00	12 - inch meter:	\$ 381.00

Plus Volume Charges:

First	1,000	cubic feet used each month:	\$5.12 per 100 cubic feet
Next	2,333	cubic feet used each month:	\$4.90 per 100 cubic feet
Next	63,334	cubic feet used each month:	\$4.55 per 100 cubic feet
Over	66,667	cubic feet used each month:	\$4.26 per 100 cubic feet

**Billing:** Bills for water service are rendered monthly and become due and payable upon issuance following the period for which service is rendered. A late payment charge of 1 percent per month will be added to bills not paid within 20 days of issuance. This late payment charge will be applied to the total unpaid balance for utility service, including unpaid late payment charges. The late payment charge is applicable to all customers. The utility customer may be given a written notice that the bill is overdue no sooner than 20 days after the bill is issued. Unless payment or satisfactory arrangement for payment is made within the next 10 days, service may be disconnected pursuant to Wis. Adm. Code ch. PSC 185.

**Combined Metering:** Volumetric meter readings will be combined for billing if the utility for its own convenience places more than one meter on a single water service lateral. Multiple meters placed for the purpose of identifying water not discharged into the sanitary sewer are not considered for utility convenience and shall not be combined for billing. This requirement does not preclude the utility from combining readings when metering configurations support such an approach. Meter readings from individually metered separate service laterals shall not be combined for billing purposes.

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**General Water Service - Unmetered**

Service may be supplied temporarily on an unmetered basis where the utility cannot immediately install a water meter, including water used for construction. Unmetered service shall be billed the amount that would be charged to a metered residential customer using 400 cubic feet of water monthly under Schedule Mg-1, including the service charge for a 5/8-inch meter. If the utility determines that actual usage exceeds 400 cubic feet of water monthly, an additional charge for the estimated excess usage shall be made according to the rates under Schedule Mg-1.

This schedule applies only to customers with a 1-inch or smaller service connection. For customers with a larger service connection, the utility shall install a temporary meter and charges shall be based on the rates set forth under Schedule Mg-1.

Billing: Same as Schedule Mg-1.