

**ARTICLE VI.
RATES, CHARGES, AND BILLING**

SECTION 6.01: Tapping Fees

For each connection made to the Sewer System, the Authority reserves the right to impose the following charges. At such time the Authority decides to impose said charges, they shall be incorporated into the Rate Resolution.

- A. For all connections made to the Sewer System (including the existing system, additions to the system and capped sewers whether built by the Authority or built by or at the expense of developers), a Tapping Fee shall be imposed to reflect the value of service readily available for use and to reflect the capital costs associated with the Authority's wastewater facilities.

This Fee shall also be imposed whenever: (1) a new building or facility is connected to an existing Building Sewer or the internal drainage system of an existing building or facility; (2) an existing building or facility is expanded in such a way that the generated quantity of wastewater is likely to exceed the current EDU classification. Flow estimates shall be made by the Authority based on sound engineering practice.

Said Tapping Fee shall be as shown on the Rate Resolution and shall be due and payable at the time the application for connection is filed. Said Tapping Fee shall be in addition to any and all other fees and charges pursuant to this Article.

If two (2) or more residential units, stores, offices, industrial units, etc., are connected to the Sewer System through a single lateral, or if two (2) or more types of uses are made of the same Improved Property, the Tapping Fee shall be computed as though each residential unit, store, office, industrial unit, etc., were a separate Improved Property or user with a separate connection to the Sewer. In other words, multiple uses of the same building are additive.

SECTION 6.02: Reservation of Capacity

The Authority reserves the right to impose the following charges. At such time the Authority decides to impose said charges, they shall be incorporated into the Rate Resolution.

- A. By specific resolution of the Authority, a Reservation of Capacity Fee shall be imposed upon the Developer based on requested reserve capacity for future development, either directly or by submitting a Planning Module for the Authority's approval.
- B. The Reservation of Capacity Fee shall be in an amount established from time to time by the Authority and shall be billed and collected at the same time and in the same manner as the Sewer Rentals or Charges imposed by the Authority for the users of the Sewer System.
- C. Reservation of capacity and payment of the Reservation of Capacity Fee shall be

limited to one year. Connection to the sewer system must be completed within (60) days of the end of that year.

SECTION 6.03: Sewer Rentals or Charges

Refer to the latest resolution setting sewage rental rates/charges.

SECTION 6.04: Surcharges for Excess Strength Compatible Pollutants from Nonresidential Establishments

A. Initial Survey

1. The Authority may make an initial survey of the discharge from nonresidential establishments to determine the applicability of the Surcharge.

The survey shall consist of suitable sampling and analysis of the wastewaters for three consecutive days during a period of normal industrial or commercial operation.

2. Based on the survey results, the Authority may institute the Surcharge and/or require the Owner to provide such tests, equipment, and information as will provide a further basis for determination of the Surcharge.

B. Frequency of Surcharge Monitoring: After the initial survey the Authority shall determine the frequency of surcharge monitoring; provided, however, subsequent monitoring shall be conducted at least annually for three consecutive days during a period of normal industrial or commercial operation.

C. Data to Determine Surcharge

1. Where the Authority determines that accurate information exists, the surcharge shall be based on the volume of wastewater used for billing purposes for the appropriate period and the concentration of surchargeable pollutants measured in a composite sample taken over the duration of the discharge or twenty-four (24) hours, whichever is shorter. Where the discharge exceeds twenty-four (24) hours, the composite sample shall form the basis for surcharge billing until such time as the Authority, on its own initiative or upon request of the Owner, takes another 24-hour composite sample.
2. Where the Authority determines that accurate information does not exist, the surcharge shall be based on the Authority's estimates of wastewater volume and concentration of surchargeable pollutants for the appropriate period as determined by:
 - a. a grab sample, or;

- b. typical concentrations for similar operations as published in technical literature, or;
 - c. wastewater surveys of discharges from other similar operations.
- 3. The cost of obtaining all information required to determine the surcharge shall be borne by the customer. This includes, but is not limited to, the costs of sample collection, flow measurement, and laboratory analysis.
 - 4. In establishing pollutant concentrations for surcharge purposes, all analyses shall be made in accordance with the latest edition of "Standard Methods".

D. Surcharge Limits and Calculation

- 1. Discharges are subject to surcharge at the rates shown in the Rate Resolution when the concentration of the pollutant exceeds the threshold limit.
- 2. The rate shall apply to each milligram per liter (mg/l) per million gallons (MG) by which the pollutant concentration exceeds the threshold limit.

SECTION 6.05: Industrial Waste Discharge Permit Fee

Each application for an Industrial Wastes Discharge Permit shall be accompanied by a fee. The amount of the Fee shall be as shown on the Rate Resolution.

SECTION 6.06: Estimated Charges

Whenever any customer discharges or permits to be discharged any material into the Sewer System by any means other than through a connection approved in accordance with these regulations, the Authority reserves the right to estimate the quantity and strength of the material and to make an appropriate charge based on such estimate.

SECTION 6.07: Billing and Collection Procedures

- A. As set forth in the Authority's current Service Agreement, Resolution on Billing Charges, and Rate Resolution.

SECTION 6.08: Fines for Improperly Reported EDUs

Whenever it appears that the connection of a property to the Sewer System has been improperly made, reported or whenever it appears there has been a violation of the Rates, Rules and Regulations of the Authority, the Authority reserves the right to charge a fine of \$100 for each day the property is improperly connected to the Sewer System or has been improperly reported.

SECTION 6.09: Water Usage Credits for Sewer Discharge

The Authority as a part of the Rate Resolution may allow certain water use (such as filling a swimming pool) to be excluded from sewer billing, with the strict conditions of the Authority being followed. After-the-fact requests for these credits will not be considered.