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CITY OF BUCKHANNON,  
a municipal corporation

OF

BUCKHANNON, WEST VIRGINIA

RATES, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR FURNISHING

WATER

at Buckhannon and vicinity, Upshur County, West Virginia

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of  
WEST VIRGINIA

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Issued by CITY OF BUCKHANNON, a municipal corporation

By *[Signature]*  
*Mayor of Chair of WATER BOARD*  
Title

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- I. Rules and Regulations for the Government of Water Utilities, adopted by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, and now in effect, and all amendments thereto and modifications thereof hereafter made by said Commission.

**PHASE II**  
**SCHEDULE NO. 1**

**APPLICABILITY**

Applicable within the entire territory served.

**AVAILABILITY**

Available for general domestic, commercial, industrial and sale for resale water service.

(I) **RATE** (customers with metered water supply)

Users of	0 – 2,000 gallons of water	\$6.51 / 1,000 gallons
Users of	2,000 – 14,000 gallons of water	\$6.27 / 1,000 gallons
Users of	14,000 – 50,000 gallons of water	\$5.62 / 1,000 gallons
Users of	more than 50,000 gallons of water	\$2.59 / 1,000 gallons

(I) **MINIMUM CHARGE**

No minimum bill will be rendered for less than \$13.02 which is equivalent to 2,000 gallons of water used.

5/8" meter or less	\$ 13.02
3/4" meter	\$ 19.53
1" meter	\$ 32.55
1 - 1/2" meter	\$ 65.10
2" meter	\$ 104.16
3" meter	\$ 195.30
4" meter	\$ 325.50
6" meter	\$ 651.00

(I) **RESALE CUSTOMER(S)**

Resale customers shall pay a rate of \$1.76/1,000 gallons regardless as to quantity of gallons of consumed and regardless as to number of meters.

**DELAYED PAYMENT PENALTY**

The above schedule is net. On all accounts not paid in full when due, ten percent (10%) will be added to the net current amount unpaid. This delayed payment penalty is not interest and is to be collected only once for each bill where it is appropriate.

(I) Indicates increase

**PHASE II**  
**SCHEDULE NO. 1** (Continued)

**TAP/SERVICE CONNECTION FEE**

This tap fee will be charged to all customers who apply for service outside of a certificate proceeding before the PSC for each new tap to the service.

3/4" = \$ 750.00

1" = \$1,000.00

Larger than 1" = at actual installation cost. Tap fees for fire service protection shall be the Board's actual cost of materials and labor to bring the connection to the customer's property line as set forth in the WV Public Service Commission's rules and regulations.

**DISCONNECT/RECONNECT**

\$50.00 per occurrence will be charged whenever the water is turned off for violations of rules, non-payment of bills or at the request of the customer for maintenance on the customer's side of the meter.

**RETURNED CHECK CHARGE**

A service charge equal to the actual bank fee assessed but not to exceed \$25.00 will be imposed upon any customer whose check for payment of charges is returned by the customer's bank due to insufficient funds.

**LEAK ADJUSTMENT**

\$0.29 per 1,000 gallons is to be used when a bill reflects unusual consumption which can be attributed to eligible leakage on customer's side of the meter. This rate shall be applied to all such consumption above the customer's historical usage.

**SECURITY DEPOSIT**

Not to exceed two-twelfths (2/12) of the annual estimated charge for residential service, or one-sixth (1/6) of annual estimated charge for commercial service, or \$50.00 whichever is greater.

**DAMAGED METER FEE**

Meter and associated components damaged by customer (includes radio read components): At actual repair & installation cost.

**PHASE II**  
**SCHEDULE NO. 1** (Continued)

**METER READINGS**

Re-reading of meter at customer request: \$25.00

Any customer may request the Water Board to re-read the customer's water meter if the customer believes the meter reading was inaccurate. Any customer may request a meter re-reading once every 12 months at no charge to the customer. If any customer requests additional re-readings within any 12 month period, and the re-reading or re-readings substantiate that the initial reading was accurate, the customer then shall be charged \$25.00 for each additional re-reading. The customer shall not be charged if the initial reading is determined to have been inaccurate by more than five percent (5%).

**METER TESTS**      \$75.00

Any customer may request the Water Board to test the customer's water meter to determine the meter's accuracy. The customer shall pay \$75.00 for the meter test in advance of the test. In accordance with Rule 6.5 of the PSC's Water Rules, if upon testing, the meter is determined to be more than two percent (2%) average in error, the meter test fee shall be promptly refunded to the customer. If the meter is not found to be more than two percent (2%) in error, the City shall retain the meter test fee advanced by the customer for the test.

**METER REINSTALLATION**      \$100.00

In any event when a water meter is removed by the Water Board to prevent a customer from unlawfully obtaining water following a customer's service being disconnected by the Water Board for customer non-payment, the customer shall pay a water reinstallation fee of \$100.00 before the meter is reinstalled and water service is reinstated. This fee shall be in addition to any other reconnection fees.

**PHASE II**  
**SCHEDULE NO. 2**

**APPLICABILITY**

Applicable in entire territory served.

**AVAILABILITY**

Available for private and public fire protection.

**RATE**

\$10.00 per month per hydrant and \$10.00 per fire service connection 4" or less.  
The monthly rate for each fire service connection greater than 4" is \$20.00.