

GWINNETT COUNTY 2009 WATER AND SEWER RATE RESOLUTION

In accordance with Part I of the Gwinnett County Code of Ordinances Article I, Section 11, "Powers of Board," and Article II, Division 8, Section 23, "Rates, Charges and Revenues; Use" and the Water & Sewer System Development Charge Ordinance adopted December 18, 2001, the Gwinnett County Water and Sewerage Authority and the Board of Commissioners hereby adopt the following 2009 WATER AND SEWER RATE RESOLUTION.

I. BASE CHARGE

Base Water Charge. For all retail water customers, all irrigation accounts and all nonpotable reuse water accounts, with the exception of multifamily housing on a master meter, there will be a base water charge per billing period according to the following table:

Water Meter Size (Inch)	Current	Effective July 1, 2009
¾	\$7.30	\$7.50
1	\$16.00	\$16.50
1½	\$26.00	\$27.00
2	\$51.00	\$52.50
3	\$140.00	\$144.00
4	\$205.00	\$210.00
6	\$390.00	\$400.00
8	\$730.00	\$750.00

Base Sewer Charge. In addition to the water base charge stated above, all retail sewer accounts shall pay a base sewer bill of \$5.00 per billing period, effective July 1, 2009, with the exception of multi-family housing on a master meter.

Multifamily Base Water and Sewer Charge. For multi-family housing on a master meter, the combined water and sewer base charge shall be \$10.00 per unit per billing period, effective July 1, 2009.

Until July 1, 2009, for multi-family housing on a master meter, the combined water and sewer base charge shall be \$5.85 per unit per billing period.

II. TIER-ONE WATER VOLUMETRIC RATES

Volumetric Charge. All retail and wholesale accounts shall be charged the following tier-one volumetric charge for water which passes through the water meter:

Current	Effective 1/1/2010	Effective 1/1/2011	Effective 1/1/2012	Effective 1/1/2013	Effective 1/1/2014	Effective 1/1/2015
(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)
\$3.86	\$4.11	\$4.38	\$4.53	\$4.69	\$4.85	\$5.02

In addition to the rates above, the conservation volumetric tier surcharges as described in section III below also apply.

III. TIER-TWO AND TIER-THREE WATER VOLUMETRIC RATES

For 2009, for all billings for the months of June, July, August, September, and October, all accounts other than irrigation and builder accounts which use more than 10,000 gallons per billing period and which use more than 125% but less than 200% of the average usage of the previous January, February, and March billings shall pay a \$0.97 surcharge on usage above that 125% allowance.

Also for 2009, for all billings for the months of June, July, August, September, and October, all accounts other than irrigation and builder accounts which use more than 10,000 gallons per billing period and which use more than 200% of the average usage of the previous January, February, and March billings shall pay a \$3.86 surcharge on usage above that 200% threshold.

Effective January 1, 2010, tier-two water volumetric rates for single-family residential usage between 8,000 and 12,000 gallons per billing period shall be at 1.5 times the tier-one volumetric rate.

Effective January 1, 2010, tier-three water volumetric rates for single-family residential usage above 12,000 gallons per billing period shall be at 2.0 times the tier-one volumetric rate.

Effective June 1, 2009, all irrigation and builder accounts shall be billed at 2.0 times the tier-one volumetric rate for all water which passes through the water meter per billing period.

IV. SANITARY SEWER RATES

The following volumetric sewer charge shall apply to all water which passes through the water meter on premises connected to the sanitary sewer system.

Current	Effective 1/1/2010	Effective 1/1/2011	Effective 1/1/2012	Effective 1/1/2013	Effective 1/1/2014	Effective 1/1/2015
(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)
\$4.91	\$5.38	\$5.89	\$6.47	\$7.11	\$7.82	\$8.60

V. NONPOTABLE REUSE WATER RATES

Nonpotable reuse water usage, in addition to the monthly water base charge for the size of meter served, shall be billed at the following rate:

Current	Effective 1/1/2010	Effective 1/1/2011	Effective 1/1/2012	Effective 1/1/2013	Effective 1/1/2014	Effective 1/1/2015
(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)	(per 1000 gal.)
\$0.75	\$0.88	\$0.93	\$0.98	\$1.03	\$1.08	\$1.13

VI. WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

The following system development charges are currently in effect:

Water Meter Size (Inch)	Potable Water	Sewer
¾	\$1,418	\$2,569
1	\$4,807	\$8,709
1½	\$11,573	\$20,967
2	\$20,063	\$36,349
3	\$43,179	\$78,227
4	\$54,910	\$99,481
6	\$172,561	\$312,630
8	\$257,506	\$466,525

The following system development charges shall become effective January 1, 2010:

Water Meter Size (Inch)	Potable Water	Sewer
¾	\$1,128	\$4,147
1	\$3,610	\$13,270
1½	\$8,573	\$31,517
2	\$15,679	\$57,643
3	\$39,142	\$143,901
4	\$62,830	\$230,988
6	\$125,434	\$461,146
8	\$200,671	\$737,751

VII. SEWAGE PUMPING STATION PHASE-OUT CHARGE

For development-installed sewage pumping stations, the sewage pumping station phase-out charge will be based on the following calculation:

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VIII. CHARGE FOR FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE COSTS OF SEWAGE PUMING STATIONS

Given the economic burden placed on customers from the cost of conveyance by development-installed sewage pumping stations, payment shall be made as follows for sewage pumping stations contributed to the Department of Water Resources:

Pump Station Category	Charge for Future O&M
0-99 HP	\$200,000
100-249 HP	\$229,000
250-350 HP	\$395,000

The Director of Water Resources is authorized to waive this fee only in instances as documented, where substantive benefit to the County is deemed to be derived by the installation of the pumping station in the following circumstances: 1) Where the pump station serves all or part of an area demarcated by the Board of Commissioners as an enterprise or revitalization zone; 2) Where the pump station is part of a petition sewer installation. This charge is waived if there is no net increase in the number of pumping stations in the drainage basin of development as a result of the development.

IX. FIRE PROTECTION

Effective September 1, 2009 the fee for fire protection taps shall be \$2.00 per inch of pipe diameter per billing period, in addition to base water charges. Water which passes through the fire protection meter for purposes other than fire suppression shall be billed for water and sewer; the water volumetric rate applicable to non-fire-related water usage shall be 3.0 times the tier-one water volumetric rate.

Until September 1, 2009 the fee for fire protection taps shall be \$1.45 per inch of pipe diameter per billing period, in addition to base water charges.

X. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LABOR AND MATERIALS CHARGES

The Department of Water Resources is hereby delegated the responsibility to establish and revise all administrative and labor and material charges for services rendered and commodities provided, and other fees and charges, such as late fees and activation fees, which are not addressed in this Rate Resolution.

XI. SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGE EQUIVALENTS

Effective January 1, 2010, each wholesale water account shall pay a water system development charge equivalent (SDCE) for consumption that exceeds previously established monthly peak demand. The monthly peak demand, rounded up to 100,000 gallons, which precedes January 1, 2010 shall set a baseline below which no SDCE becomes due. Any usage after January 1, 2010 which exceeds that baseline by 100,000 gallons per billing period shall trigger the payment of an SDCE and set a new baseline. The SDCE for each 100,000 gallons per billing period of incremental usage above the baseline shall equal the SDC for a new two-inch tap which was in effect on the month the excess usage occurred. Billing for the SDCE will occur within two months of the month the excess usage occurred.

SDCEs shall not be refunded. No SDCE will be due in subsequent months for consumption equal to or less than the new, higher baseline; however, increased demand above the new baseline in subsequent months shall again cause payment of an SDCE.

Excluded from payment of SDCEs are demonstrated public health emergencies and wholesale entity infrastructure emergencies that occur in the non-peak months of November through April, inclusive.

XII. TERM

This resolution shall remain in effect from the date executed until December 31, 2015 unless amended by action of the Board of Commissioners. It shall continue in effect beyond December 31, 2015 if it is not supplanted by another rate resolution or amendments.

XIII. DATE APPROVED

Approved by the Board of Commissioners on March 3, 2009.

GWINNETT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Attest:

Diana [Signature]
County Clerk



By: [Signature]
Charles E. Bannister, Chairman

Approved As To Form:

[Signature]
Attorney for Gwinnett County

GWINNETT COUNTY
WATER AND SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

Attest:

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Secretary

By: [Signature]
Michael Sullivan, Chairman

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