

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 5, 2024

COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL WASTE AND WATER POLLUTION

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

..Title

Request Authority to Review the Proposed Amended User Charge Ordinance of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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Dear Sir:

An in-house review of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago’s (District) User Charge Ordinance (Ordinance) by the Monitoring and Research Department established the need to amend certain provisions of the Ordinance. To facilitate extended public notice of the proposed changes, it is recommended that the Board of Commissioners (Board) consider the adoption of the revised Ordinance at the regular Board Meeting on December 19, 2024.

The amendments to the Ordinance are proposed as follows:

1. Appendix F, Section I is amended to modify the User Charge rates applicable to Large Commercial-Industrial User and Tax-Exempt User classes. The 2025 billing rates for volume, Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Suspended Solids (SS) are as follows:

LARGE COMMERCIAL-INDUSTRIAL USER AND TAX-EXEMPT USER RATES:

	2024 Rates	Recommended 2025 Rates
(1) Volume	\$287.56 per million gallons	\$292.73 per million gallons
(2) 5-day BOD	\$187.65 per thousand pounds of BOD	\$191.03 per thousand pounds of BOD
(3) SS	\$125.28 per thousand pounds of SS	\$126.40 per thousand pounds of SS

2. Appendix F, Section III is amended to modify the Operations, Maintenance and Replacement (OM&R) Factor as follows:

2024 OM&R Factor	Recommended 2025 OM&R Factor
0.306	0.474

Attached is “The Proposed Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago’s User Charge Ordinance, As Amended December 19, 2024.” It is recommended that the Board adopt the proposed Ordinance, as herein amended. The Ordinance, as amended, will take effect on January 1, 2025.

Requested, Edward W. Podczerwinski, Director of Monitoring and Research, EWP:JW:MG:al

Susan T. Morakalis, General Counsel

Jacqueline Torres, Clerk/Director of Finance

Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for December 5, 2024

Attachments