

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2023**

**COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL WASTE AND WATER POLLUTION**

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

..Title

Request Authority to Amend the 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.

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 2024 billing rates for volume, Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Suspended Solids (SS) are as follows:

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

	<b>2023 Rates</b>	<b>Recommended 2024 Rates</b>
(1) Volume	\$282.47 per million gallons	\$287.56 per million gallons
(2) 5-day BOD	\$184.33 per thousand pounds of BOD	\$187.65 per thousand pounds of BOD
(3) SS	\$124.16 per thousand pounds of SS	\$125.28 per thousand pounds of SS

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

<b>2023 OM&amp;R Factor</b>	<b>Recommended 2024 OM&amp;R Factor</b>
0.401	0.306

Attached is "The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's User Charge Ordinance, As Amended November 16, 2023." It is recommended that the Board adopt the proposed Ordinance, as herein amended. The Ordinance, as amended, will take effect on January 1, 2024.

Requested, Edward W. Podczerwinski, Director of Monitoring and Research, EWP:JW:MG:tj  
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 November 16, 2023.

Attachments