

**WATER RATES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE LEAD-DEADWOOD SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 1**

1. Definitions. Unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, the meaning of terms used herein shall be as follows:

“District” shall mean the Lead-Deadwood Sanitary District No. 1.

“Equivalent Residential Unit (EQR)” shall mean a calculated estimate of the number of equivalent residential units as determined by the District.

“Wholesale Treated Water Rate” shall mean the rate to be charged to municipalities within the District for the water to be distributed by said municipality to its customers through the distribution system owned and operated by the municipality.

“Raw Water Rate” shall mean the rate to be charged to users for water purchased from the District prior to final treatment by the District.

2. Service Charges. Service charges shall be as follows:

1) Wholesale Treated Water Rate.

The monthly wholesale treated water rate shall be as follows:
\$8.75 per EQR plus \$1.15 per 1,000 gallons.

2) Raw Water Rate.

The monthly raw water rate shall be as follows:

- i. In District Raw Water Rate
\$3.60 per EQR plus \$0.48 per 1,000 gallons.
- ii. Outside District Raw Water Rate
\$4.70 per EQR plus \$0.48 per 1,000 gallons.

3. Billing and Payment. All customers will be billed for the previous month’s usage on or about the 1st day of each month. Bills will be mailed the first week of each month, and then shall be payable on or before the 24th day of the month. All bills unpaid after the 24th day of each month will be charged a late fee of \$3.00 or 5%, whichever is greater, per month for each month that the bill remains unpaid. Bills not paid within 30 days of the due date shall be declared “delinquent”. The District may notify customers of a delinquency by mail or hand delivery, which notice shall include the total delinquent amount due and the date the service will be suspended. To avoid service suspension the customer may make arrangements with the District prior to the suspension date indicated on the notice.

If the delinquent amount is not paid in full, the District may shut off the water by disconnection of the water or closing the water service valve. The costs for shutting off and/or disconnecting water service shall be paid by the owner before service is restored.

Unpaid bills shall become a lien or property tax assessment on and against the property served in an amount of the unpaid bill, plus a \$75.00 administration fee, and any other charges as set forth under this Ordinance, and any such lien may be foreclosed in any manner provided under the laws of the State of South Dakota.