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Bacus Hill Water, Inc  
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**At**

Granite Falls and Sedro Woolley, Washington

**And**

**CONTAINING RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**GOVERNING SERVICE**

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**WATER SERVICE  
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**Rule 1 - Adoption of Rules of Regulatory Authorities**

The rules regulating water service prescribed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, after this called the Commission are adopted and by this reference are made a part of this tariff.

**Rule 2 - Schedules and Conditions**

The schedules and conditions specified in this tariff for water service are subject to change according to the public service laws of the State of Washington. The amount of water furnished is subject to the Department of Health required standards of quantity and quality. All schedules for water service apply to applicants for or customers receiving water service from the utility.

**Rule 3 - Application and Agreement for Service**

Each prospective customer desiring water service will be required to sign the utility's standard form of application before service is supplied.

An application for service is notice that the prospective customer desires water service from the utility and represents an agreement to comply with the utility's rules and regulations on file with the Commission and in effect at the time service is furnished. In the absence of a signed application for water service, the delivery of water by the utility through a standard connection and the taking thereof by the customer will constitute an agreement by and between the utility and the customer for the delivery and acceptance of service under the applicable rate schedule(s) and these rules and regulations.

**Rule 4 - Definition of Service**

Service will be supplied as described in these rules and under the applicable rate schedule(s). Service will be supplied only to those who secure their source of water exclusively from the utility, unless otherwise provided under written contract. Water service will be used only for the purpose specified in the service agreement and applicable rate schedule(s). A customer will not sell or permit others to use such service, unless authorized to do so under written contract with the utility.

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**Rule 4 – Definition of Service** (cont'd)

The customer will not increase demand or use of service as stated in the application for service without giving prior notice of such increase. In the event of such increase, the customer is required to pay the utility's regularly published rates for the increased service from the date of connection and use of the service.

Whenever the customer wants to permanently discontinue the use of water through any fixtures mentioned in the original application, the customer must cause the fixture to be removed and the branch pipe or service supplying the same to be capped or plugged, and must notify the utility in writing before any reduction in charge will be made.

**Rule 5 - Reconnection Charge / Disconnect Visit Charge**

A reconnection charge, as specified in **Schedule 8**, will apply for reconnection of the customer's service to the utility's distribution system. Such charge is to apply only in cases where service has been discontinued for non-payment of delinquent account, request of the customer (seasonal reconnection), and refusal to make proper repairs or similar cause. No charge will be made for reconnection of service if the shut-off was made for the convenience of the utility in making repairs, changes, etc.

When a utility employee is dispatched to disconnect service, that person shall be required to accept payment of a delinquent account at the service address if tendered, but shall not be required to dispense change in excess of the amount due. Any excess payment shall be credited to the customer's account. The charge for a disconnection visit is specified in **Schedule 8**.

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**WATER SERVICE  
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**Rule 6 - Installation of Service Pipes and Meters**

The utility will construct service connections of a proper size from its distribution mains to the customer's property. The utility reserves the right to refuse to construct a service connection to any property if the applicant's pipes are not properly constructed and protected.

Meter Installation (Utility) - The utility may meter any flat rate service at its discretion. The utility's metered service rates will become effective, after the customer has received 30 days' written notice. All meters so placed will be installed and maintained by the utility without direct retrofit cost to the customer.

Meter Installation (Customer Request) - A meter will be installed upon any flat rate service at the request of the customer, provided that the actual cost of the meter and installation is paid by the customer. The amount paid will be reimbursed to the customer, by bill credit, at least ten (10) percent of the meter and installation charge each month until fully paid. All meters will be installed and maintained by the utility without future cost to the customer. The charge and conditions for this service are specified in **Schedule 7**.

**Rule 7 - Distribution Main Extension**

Utility Allowance - Where elevation and construction conditions allow and one or more bona fide prospective permanent customers request a main extension, the utility will construct and pay for the same, if the utility has sufficient capacity available to meet Department of Health standards of quantity and quality.

Customer Prorate Share - The cost of main extension in excess of the estimated customer(s) revenue for three years (utility allowance) must be paid by the prospective customers in advance.

Construction Contract - No main extension will be considered as coming under this rule where the total cost of the main extension is greater than the estimated customer(s) revenue for six years. Water main extensions and/or fire hydrants will be installed after contracts have been approved by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission pursuant to WAC's for special contracts for water utilities and distribution extensions.

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**Rule 8 - Responsibility for, and Maintenance of, Services**

The point at which water will be delivered to and received by the customer will be on the property line (Point of Delivery) of the customer's property at a point designated by the utility. The utility will install its meter or other connection device at the Point of Delivery, except, at its option, the utility may install its meter at some other agreed point on the property of the customer, provided that in such event the property line will nevertheless be deemed the Point of Delivery.

The customer will assume all responsibility after Point of Delivery for water supplied by the utility. The utility will be exempt from all liability for loss or damage caused by leakage or escape of water furnished by the utility, after water has passed the Point of Delivery.

All service pipes and fixtures on the customer's side of the Point of Delivery shall be provided and must be maintained and protected from freezing at the customer's expense. Where there are leaking or defective pipes or fixtures, the water may be turned off at the option of the utility until properly repaired. The utility may require any service to be equipped with freeze prevention devices to be used during cold weather conditions instead of permitting water to run continuously from faucets.

**Rule 9 - Access to Premises**

The utility's regularly authorized agents or employees will have access to the premises of the customer at reasonable hours for meter reading, inspection, connection, disconnection, repair or removal of the utility's property.

**Rule 10 - Interruption to Service**

The utility will make a diligent effort to render uninterrupted service and supply of water. In cases where shut-off is necessary for repair, reconstruction, damage prevention or similar cause, the utility will give one day's advance notice to its customers of such scheduled shut-off. However, the utility will not be responsible for any damage that may result from any cessation of services such as above outlined, nor for failure to give notice of shut-off when circumstances are such that it is impossible to give notice as stated above.

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**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**Rule 11 – Bills/Late Payment Charge**

Bills shall be rendered bi-monthly in arrears and are due and payable upon receipt and are considered delinquent no less than fifteen (15) days after the date mailed. Bills will be deemed received upon personal delivery to customer or (3) days following the deposit of the bill in the United States mail to the customer's last known address. Where the meter has not been read, a minimum bill will be rendered and adjusted when the next succeeding meter reading is available. Bills are due and payable upon receipt. Bills are considered late 15 days after the bill mailing date.

**Rule 12 – NSF and Bank Charges**

An NSF check charge as specified in **Schedule 8** will be made for handling customer checks that have been returned by the bank as NSF, account closed or payment stopped. If such checks were used to prevent a shut off, the provider will shut water off at this time. *Checks returned and redeposit will be charged a redeposit fee as specified in Schedule 8.* (N)

**Rule 13 – Responsibility for Delinquent Accounts**

The utility will not refuse or discontinue service to an applicant or customer, who is not in arrears to the utility even though there are unpaid charges due from the premises occupied by the applicant or customer, due to the unpaid bill of a prior tenant unless there is evidence of intent to defraud.

The utility may not permanently deny service to an applicant because of a prior obligation to the utility.

**Rule 14 – Account Set-up Fee and Letter Availability Fee**

There is an account set-up fee along with a *letter availability fee* as specified in **Schedule 8.** (N)

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**Rule 16 - Rates**

Rates for water service and supply are those published in the utility's tariff on file with the Commission. Unless otherwise stated in this tariff, the rates apply to a single service, to one customer at one premise. Where two or more families with separate housekeeping establishments occupy the same or separate dwellings, each family using water is considered a separate customer. Each separate housekeeping establishment or business, using water service, will each be considered a customer.

When conditions require that more than one customer be supplied through one meter, (Accessory Dwelling Units) each customer will be charged the minimum charge as provided by the schedule of rates. If the consumption as shown by the meter exceeds the allowance for the minimum charge multiplied by the number of customers, the excess consumption charge will be computed at the regular rates for one customer and the amount prorated equally to the multiple customers, or otherwise as may be agreed among themselves.

Water service must be subscribed to on an annual basis. No proration or reduction in billing is allowed unless this tariff proscribes temporary or seasonal rates.

**Rule 17 - Sprinkling and Irrigation**

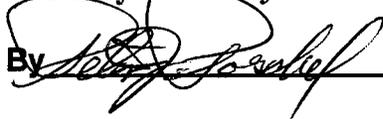
Water used for sprinkling and irrigation must be paid for at the regular prescribed tariff rates for such service. The hours for such use will be as prescribed from time to time by the utility, subject to protest by any customer effected and reviewed by the Commission. During peak use months (June through September), and at such other times when demand may be high, the utility may prohibit or limit sprinkling and irrigation to preserve water for domestic consumption.

No person will use water for sprinkling or irrigation purposes during any fire in the area, and all sprinkling or irrigation must be stopped immediately when a fire alarm is sounded. Use of water may be resumed three (3) hours after the fire has been extinguished.

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**Rule 18 – Test Results Copy Charge**

There will be a charge to requesting person for any copy of water test results. Such results might be Inorganic, Organic, Lead and Copper, etc. Charge is specified in **Schedule 8**.

**Rule 19 - Cross Connection Control**

The customer shall not permit the plumbing on their premises to be connected to any source of water supply other than the utility's, or to any potential source of contamination, without first obtaining the utility's written permission and meeting the utility's cross connection control criteria. The customer shall assure that effective back-flow prevention measures are implemented to ensure continual protection of the water in the public water distribution system. Any back-flow prevention device deemed necessary by the utility to prevent entry of contaminants shall be installed at the customer's expense.

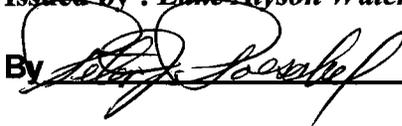
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**SCHEDULE NO. 1**  
**FLAT RATE SERVICE**

**Available**

Within the limits of all Water Service Areas and at utility's option and capability to maintain Department of Health standards of quantity and quality.

**Applicable**

Applicable to domestic residential customers served by the utility on a metered basis.

**Conditions**

The charge for this service is not subject to cancellation or reduction for seasonal or temporary periods, unless seasonal rates apply per this tariff. This charge will be the monthly minimum bill for this class of service.

**Monthly Rates**

Each connection or customer	42.00	(I)
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**SCHEDULE NO. 2**  
**METERED RATE SERVICE**

**Available**

Within the limits of all Water Service Areas and at utility's option and capability to maintain Department of Health standards of quantity and quality.

**Applicable**

Applicable to domestic residential customers served by the utility on a metered basis.

**Conditions**

The charge for this service is not subject to cancellation or reduction for seasonal or temporary periods, unless seasonal rates apply per this tariff. This charge will be the monthly minimum bill for this class of service.

**Monthly Rates**

Each connection or customer	Rate	
Service Base Rate (Zero allowance)	\$30.00	(I)
<b><u>Usage</u></b>	<b><u>Rate/1000 Gallons</u></b>	
	<b><u>(or portion thereof)</u></b>	
0-7500 Gallons	\$1.50	(I)
Over 7500 – 11,999 Gallons	\$2.00	(I)
Over 11,999 Gallons	\$2.50	(I)

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**SCHEDULE NO. 7**  
**METER INSTALLATION CHARGE**  
**CUSTOMER REQUEST**

**Available**

Within the limits of all Water Service Areas and at utility's option and capability to maintain Department of Health standards of quantity and quality.

**Applicable**

Applies to all customer requests where service is currently being rendered on a flat rate service basis.

**Conditions**

1. A charge will be made the first time a customer's service pipe, 3/4 inch or smaller, has a meter installed at the customer's request. The charge for a larger connection will be the cost of labor and materials. This charge includes the cost of a meter and its installation. After initial meter installation, meter will be maintained by the utility without direct cost to the customer.
2. The utility owns and maintains all materials involved in making a meter installation.
3. The meter installation charge must be paid before the installation and meter rate schedules are applied.
4. The meter will be placed in a suitable meter box located at the customer's property line, except when this is not practicable. The meter will be installed upon the customer's premises in some convenient location approved by the utility where the meter will at all times be accessible for reading, inspection and testing. (See Rule 6)
5. Meter installation will be installed within 30 days from customer request, unless prior arrangements in writing are agreed upon by both the customer and the utility.

**Size of Meter Service**

3/4 inch service  
Larger than 3/4 inch service

**Meter Installation Charge**

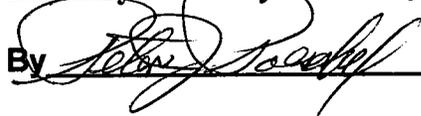
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**SCHEDULE 8**  
**ANCILLARY CHARGES**

Rule 5	Disconnection and Reconnection Charge	\$200.00	
Rule 11	Late Payment Charge	2% minimum \$2.00	(N)
Rule 12	NSF Check Charge	\$25.00	
	Redeposit Fee	\$ 5.00	(N)
Rule 14	Account Set-up Fee	\$35.00	
Rule 14	Water Availability Letter Charge	\$40.00 per hookup	(N)
Rule 5 and 15	Disconnect Visit Charge	\$50.00	
Rule 18	Test Result Copy Charge (Per result)	\$5.00	

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