

## VILLAGE OF ST-PIERRE-JOLYS NOTICE OF INTERIM RATES

On April 4, 2011, the Public Utilities Board (PUB) issued Order 50/11 approving, on an interim *ex parte* basis, revised sewer rates for the Village of St-Pierre-Jolys. Existing and revised interim rates effective for 2011 are noted below:

### Existing and revised rates:

<b>Annual fees</b>	<b>Existing</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>
		<b>PUB-ORDER 50/11</b>
Service Charge	\$ 3.60	\$ 3.55
Residential Equivalency Unit (REU)	<u>\$43.00</u>	<u>\$72.50</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$46.60</u></b>	<b><u>\$76.05</u></b>

With the adoption of new accounting rules applicable to all municipalities, all utilities in Manitoba are required to recognize amortization expense for the first time. This change together with inflationary cost increase and the need to provide sufficient financial resources for the Utility to meet its upgrading program necessitates a change in rates.

PUB provided these revised rates without prior public consultation due to its understanding of the need to generate additional utility revenue through higher utility rates. This order can be reviewed in its entirety on the PUB website, [www.pub.gov.mb.ca](http://www.pub.gov.mb.ca).

PUB will conduct a more detailed review of the utility's revenue requirements and rate application in 2011; ratepayers will be provided notice and allowed an opportunity to provide comments. Following this review, which will include a public hearing process (either in person or paper based), the PUB will issue an order, setting final rates which may vary from the interim rates now approved or those applied for by the Village.

Customers of the utility are encouraged to contact the Village office to find out how you may be affected by these interim rate increases and to review details of the Village's application.