

Sabattus Sanitary District

To Our Customers:

The Sabattus Sanitary District will be filing a rate schedule with the Maine Public Utilities Commission to be effective January 9, 2023 & January 1, 2024.

A public hearing will be held on December 7, 2022 5:00 PM at the Sabattus Sanitary District's Office. The purpose of this hearing is to present proposed water rates, which are intended to increase the District's annual revenues by \$39,985 in 2023 & \$41,708 in 2024. This represents an 13% increase in total revenue for 2023 and a 12% percent increase in 2019 (or a total of 25% increase through December 31, 2024).

The increase is necessitated by for rising operating costs. It is also understood that the District will fund the replacement of fixed assets which will need to be upgraded in the very near future. The Trustees of the district did not want to burden all the user with a 25% rate increase all at once and has decided to split the increase in half over the next 2 years.

Annual increases by customer types are as follows. Public and private fire protection has been adjusted in accordance with PUC regulations. (going up 13% on January 9, 2023)

Residential	\$ 26,505	13%
Commercial	2,093	13%
Public authorities	317	13%
Public & private fire protection	11,070	13%

You may inspect data prior to the hearing relating to the present and proposed rates at the Sabattus Sanitary District's Office. You have the right to an open and fair hearing and the right to further hearings before the Commission. The Public Advocate is available for assistance to you in this matter upon request. The Public Utilities Commission may be contacted at 287-3831. State House Station 18. Augusta. Maine 04333: or the Public Advocate at 287-2445. State House Station 112. Augusta. Maine 04333.

If, within 30 days of the public hearing 15% of the customers of the District file with the treasurer and the Commission petitions demanding a review of the rate changes by the Commission, the rate change may be suspended, investigated, reviewed and changed in accordance with Section 310. Signatures on the petition are invalid unless accompanied by the printed names and addresses of the signers. Upon request the District will provide customers with the appropriate petition forms.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 9, 2023 & JANUARY 1, 2024