

ORDINANCE NO. 726

An Ordinance entitled "Rates for Municipal Utility Customers"

Be it ordained by the City of Groton, South Dakota that Ordinance No. 8-1 be amended to read as follows:

8-1-1 Customer Defined

Residential Customer - One who lives in at least 75% of the location where utility service is provided or provides long term living space for others (apartment houses).

General Service Customer - Any customer who is not a residential customer, such as operation of a business, care services, place of worship, storage structure, etc.

Electric Demand Customer - Any general service customer who uses 25 KW or over during any given monthly billing period.

8-1-4 Rates

1. Initial Hookup Fees:

- Electric - \$250.00
- Water - \$375.00
- Wastewater - \$375.00

2. Service Disconnection and Reconnection Fees:

- Electric - \$50.00
- Water - \$50.00

Disconnection or Reconnection must be done under the supervision of City personnel and have the fees paid before monthly charges are discontinued.

3. Penalties:

Ten percent (10%) of all utility charges (excluding sales tax) on all accounts paid after the 25th of the month following the billing date.

4. Water Rates:

The schedule of rates governing Residential or General Service Consumers of water in the City of Groton which follows is to be used for billing on a monthly basis throughout each year. Each water service is figured independently from any other water service at each customer's location.

a. Residential and General Service Water Customers

- Base Charge: \$8.83 per meter plus
- Minimum charge: \$18.22 per month which includes 0-2,000 gallons
- Next 18,000 gallons at \$4.96 per 1,000 gallons
- Over 20,000 gallons per month at \$4.38 per 1,000 gallons.

b. Bulk water rate: \$6.00 per 1000 gallons

c. Residential Low Income Discount

An \$8.83 per month discount will be allowed on the meter charge of residential consumers for a period of 12 months (from January to December) if the consumer provides proof that the family is eligible to receive low income fuel assistance (LIEAP).

d. Residential or General Service consumers found to be using unmetered water furnished by the City of Groton water system shall be disconnected until a meter is installed by the property owner.

5. Sewer:

Sewer fees will be based on the average water usage during November and December of the preceding year and January, February, March and April of the current year. The average use will be set on May 1st of each year and the fee, based on this average, will be applied for the next 12 months. This charge will be discontinued only if the water line has been capped.

Minimum Bill - \$20/month includes 1-2,000 gallons

Next 5,000 gallons - \$3.25/1,000 gallons

Over 7,000 gallons - \$2/1,000 gallons

6. Solid Waste:

\$13.50 monthly

This charge will be discontinued only if the water line has been capped.

7. Electricity:

The schedule of rates governing consumers of electricity in the City of Groton which follows is to be used for billing on a monthly basis throughout each year. Each electric service is figured independently from any other electric service at each customer's location.

Schedule A - Load Management Participating Electric Residential Rate

- Base Bill - \$25/month
- All kwh at \$.097/kwh

Schedule B - Interruptible Power (Dual Heat & Heat Storage Units) Participating Electric Residential Rate

- Heat Meter - All kwh at \$.05/kwh
- Minimum charge- \$10.00/month- November-April

Schedule C - Geothermal/Heat Pump (with Minimum 10 KW Resistance Backup) Electric Heat Rate

- Heat Meter - All kwh at \$.08/kwh
- Minimum charge- \$10.00/month- November-April

Schedule D - Load Management Participating Single Phase General Services Electric Rate

- Base Bill - \$35/month
- All kwh at \$.097/kwh

Schedule E - Load Management Participating Three Phase General Services Electric Rate

- Base Bill - \$70/month
- All kwh at \$.097/kwh

Schedule F - Interruptible Power General Service Electric Rates

- All kwh at \$.05/kwh

Schedule G - Load Management Participating General Service Electric Demand Customers Rate

- Base Bill - \$70/month
- Any demand over 25KW will be charged \$14.00/KW (highest 15-minute demand established in current month)
- All kwh at \$.075/kwh

Schedule H - General Service Capacity Charge Rate

- Minimum Bill - \$2
- All KVA at \$.10/KVA

Schedule I - Load Management Nonparticipating Electric Customer Rate

- 150% of their Participating Rate Class Schedule

Schedule J - Load Management Controlled Electric Hot Water Heaters

- \$2.00/month credit

Schedule K - Load Management Controlled Electric Air Conditioner (Not on Interruptible (Dual Heat) Power Rate

- \$7/month credit on June, July, & August billings

Schedule L - Security Lights

- \$8/month per unmetered light
- \$3/month per metered light
- Disconnection or Reconnection Fee - \$50

Schedule M - Heat Storage Unit Payback

- Minimum Bill \$25
- All kwh on HSU meters at \$.01/kwh

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Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Attest:



Hope Block, Finance Officer