STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS
2004 No. 44

THE WATER STATUTE (GENERAL RATES) INSTRUMENT, 2004

ARRANGEMENT OF RULES

Rules

1. Title and commencement date
2. Water Supply and Sewerage services
3. Indexation of the NWSC Tariff

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FIRST SCHEDULE
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In exercise of the powers conferred upon the Minister by section 107(2)(q) of the Water Statute, this instrument is made this 8th day of July, 2004.

1. Title and commencement date
   This instrument may be cited as the Water Statute (General Rates) Instrument, 2004 and shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of July, 2004

2. The rates specified in the second column of the First Schedule hereto shall be the rates payable in respect of consumers specified in the first column thereof, in the towns in which National Water and Sewerage Corporation supplies water and provides sewerage services as specified in the Second Schedule hereto.

3. Indexation of the NWSC Tariff
   The above mentioned rates will be subject to annual indexation against the domestic price index, exchange rate, foreign price index and the electricity tariff.

   The indexation will be carried out on a financial year basis and will apply on the 1st July of each year. The indexation will be based upon the following formular.

   \[ T_1 = (a I + b FI + c FX^+ K ) = T_0 \]

   Whereby
   \( T_0 \) = Tariff level at end of year zero.
   \( a \) = Proportion of tariff associated with local salaries, and locally sourced goods based on the previous years audited financial Accounts.
   \( ? \) = Change.
   \( I \) = Domestic retail price index as published by the Bureau of Statistics and based on the underlying inflation rate.
   \( b \) = the proportion of the tariff associated with foreign costs, i.e. foreign inputs in the production process based on the previous years audited financial accounts.
   \( FI \) = Foreign retail price index based on the US Bureau of Labour Statistics.
   \( FX \) = US Dollar to shilling exchange rate based on the Bank of Uganda mid exchange rate as at the 30th June of each financial year.
   \( c \) = Proportion of tariff associated with electrical power based on % of electricity cost to total cost as a proxy. (Audited financial Accounts).
   \( K \) = Price of electrical power per unit.
   \( T_1 \) = Indexed Tariff at beginning of year one.

4. Service Lines
Effective July 2004, the NWSC will provide and maintain all water service lines to its customers. To enable the Corporation do this, all service lines shall belong to the NWSC. Accordingly, in order to defray the costs of this additional service to customers, the rates will be adjusted by an average of 10% for all customer categories except those consuming over 500 cu.m of water per month.

5. S.I. No. 23 of 2002

The Water (General Rates) Regulations, 2002 is hereby amended accordingly.
SCHEDULES
FIRST SCHEDULE

1. WATER SUPPLY

CONSUMER CATEGORY RATE

1.1 PUBLIC STANDPIPES

(a) Unmetered ....... Shs. 39,075 per month
(b) Metered ....... Shs. 521 per cubic meter
(c) Service charges ....... Shs. 2,000 per month

1.2 RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

(a) Unmetered
1 tap ....... Shs. 4,836 per month
2-4 taps ....... Shs. 14,508 per month
5-8 taps ....... Shs. 24,180 per month
Over 8 taps ....... Shs. 36,270 per month
(b) Metered ....... Shs. 806 per cubic meter

(c) Service Charges
1/2" ....... Shs. 1,500 per month
3/4" ....... Shs. 2,000 per month
1" ....... Shs. 5,000 per month
Yard tap ....... Shs. 2,000 per month

1.3 INSTITUTIONS AND GOVERNMENT

(a) Unmetered ....... Shs. Assessed on estimated
Consumption at metered rates
(b) Metered ....... Shs. 993 per cubic meter
(c) Service Charges
1/2" ....... Shs. 2,000
3/4" ....... Shs. 3,000
1" ....... Shs. 5,000
2" ....... Shs. 8,000
3" ....... Shs. 10,000
4" ....... Shs. 15,000
6" ....... Shs. 20,000

1.4 MAJOR INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL

(a) Metered
First 500 cubic meters per month .... Shs. 1,379 per cu meter
501 – 1500 cubic meters per month .... Shs. 1,421 per cu meter
Over 1500 cubic meters per month .... Shs. 1,324 per cu meter

(b) Unmetered ....... Assessed on estimated
consumption at metered rates.

(c) Service Charges

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1.5 MINOR INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL

(a) Metered  
(Up to 50 meters from the NWSC service point, all materials and other costs including road reinstatement to be met by the Corporation. The cost in excess of 50 meters to be met by applicant).

(b) Unmetered  
Assessed on estimated consumption at metered rates.

(c) Service charges

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1.6 MIXED COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, INSTITUTIONAL AND/OR DOMESTIC

Where water is supplied on a common connection to mixed commercial, industrial, institutional and/or domestic premises, all water will be charged at the highest tariff rate applicable.

2.0 CONNECTION FEES

(Up to 50 meters from the NWSC service point, all materials and other costs including road reinstatement to be met by the Corporation. The cost in excess of 50 meters to be met by applicant).

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CONSUMER CATEGORY

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3.0 RECONNECTION FEES

After disconnection for non-payment of water charges

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<td>All connections below 2&quot;</td>
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<td>Connections 2&quot; and above</td>
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4.0 PENALTIES
(a) Where a consumer makes an illegal connection, removes or by passes a meter

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\begin{array}{l|l}
\text{..................} & \text{Shs. 400,000} \\
\text{plus a charge for water consumed during the last 24 months.}
\end{array}
\]

(b) Damage of installed water meter

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\begin{array}{l|l}
1/2" & \text{.................. Shs. 50,000} \\
3/4" & \text{.................. Shs. 70,000} \\
1" & \text{............... Shs. 115,000} \\
11/2" & \text{............... Shs. 258,000} \\
2" & \text{.............. Shs. 287,000} \\
3" & \text{.............. Shs. 300,000} \\
4" & \text{.............. Shs. 418,000} \\
6" & \text{.............. Shs. 485,000}
\end{array}
\]

(c) Destruction of water meter………..Actual cost of replacement.

5.0 DEPOSITS
The Corporation is empowered to take deposits for water and sewerage services calculated at six months estimated charges.

6.0 BULK WATER RATES
The Bulk Water Supply tariff shall be levied on authorised operators who will re-sell the water to consumers through a piped water distribution network. It shall be determined by the Corporation depending on the area of supply but shall not exceed 800 shillings per cubic meter.

CONSUMER CATEGORY

7.0 SEWERAGE SERVICES

7.1 Sewerage charges for all properties connected to sewers.

(a) Domestic ………………… 75% of water charge

(b) Other categories ………… 100% of water charge

7.2 Connection Fees
(All materials and other costs including road reinstatement to be met by applicant).

\[
\begin{array}{l|l}
4" & \text{.............. Shs. 100,000} \\
6" & \text{.............. Shs. 125,000} \\
\text{over 6}" & \text{.............. Shs. 167,000}
\end{array}
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SECOND SCHEDULE

TOWNS IN WHICH NWSC SUPPLIES WATER AND PROVIDES SEWERAGE SERVICES

1. Kampala (including Kajjansi and Nansana)
2. Jinja/Njeru
3. Entebbe
4. Mbarara
5. Tororo
6. Mbale
7. Masaka
8. Lira
9. Gulu
10. Fort Portal
11. Kasese
12. Kabale
13. Bushenyi/Ishaka
14. Arua
15. Soroti
16. Mukono
17. Lugazi
18. Iganga
19. Malaba

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