

**PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL CUSTOMERS OF THE
NEW AUBURN MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY**

The New Auburn Municipal Water Utility (Utility) has filed an application with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSCW) to change its method of cost recovery for providing public fire protection (PFP) service. The Utility currently collects an annual amount of \$102,477 for providing PFP to the Village of New Auburn (Village). This cost covers the additional storage, pumping, and distribution required to provide the high flows and pressures needed to fight fires. Currently, the Village collects a municipal PFP charge of \$60,006 from property taxes and pays this charge to the water utility. The remaining \$42,471 is collected directly from water customers. The Village recently approved eliminating the municipal PFP charge. As such, the Village has requested PSCW authorization to allow the entire collection of the PFP charges from each customer of the water utility. The resulting direct charges to each water customer are based on the equivalent meters method, in accordance with Wis. Stat. Sec. 196.03(3)(b).

If the request is granted, the water bill for an average residential customer with a 5/8-inch or 3/4-inch meter who uses 3,000 gallons of water per month will increase from \$59.36 to \$65.49, or 10.33 percent, including the PFP charge.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Thursday, March 2, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. This hearing has no physical location. Parties and Commission staff appear by Zoom. Parties and Commission staff may use the telephone connection as a backup, or if no practicable internet connection exists. Members of the public attend by Zoom, or by audio-only telephone connection.

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A person may testify in this proceeding without becoming a party and without attorney representation. A person may submit this testimony in only one of the following ways:

- **Web Comment.** File a comment on the internet. Go to the Commission's web site at <http://psc.wi.gov>, click the dropdown menu labeled "Commission Action". Select the item labeled "File a Public Comment". On the next page select the "File a comment" link that appears for docket number 4080-PFP-100. Web comments shall be received no later than Monday, March 6, 2023.

- **Live Comment.** Make a live comment live at the hearing. The ALJ may receive live comments from any member of the public in attendance after the close of any party and Commission staff testimony. The ALJ will receive such comments by stating the name of each member of the public connected to the hearing one at a time and asking if they would like to comment.
- **Mail Comment.** Send a comment by U.S. Mail. All comments submitted by U.S. Mail shall be received no later than Monday, March 6, 2023 and shall be addressed to: Attn: Docket 4080-PFP-100. Comments, Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, WI 53707-7854.

To access the documents, schedule, and other information about this docket. Go to the Commission's web site at [http:// psc.wi.gov](http://psc.wi.gov), click the dropdown menu labeled "eServices". Select the item labeled "Docket Search (CMS)". On the next page enter "4080-PFP-100" in the spaces labeled "Case #" and select "Search".

If you have any questions, please contact Ardith Story, Village Administrator at the New Auburn Municipal Water Utility at (715) 237-2223.

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2. Security Bank,
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3. Village Hall-Interior Posterboard, and
4. Village Website