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The Water Act (General Rates) Instrument, 2015.

(Under section 107(2)(q) of the Water Act, Cap. 152, Laws of Uganda).

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred upon the Minister by section 107(2)(q) of the Water Act, Cap. 152, this Instrument is made this 21st day of May, 2015.

1. Title and commencement date.

This Instrument may be cited as the Water Act (General Rates) Instrument, 2015 and shall come into force on the 1st day of July, 2015.

2. The rates specified in the first Schedule hereto shall be the rates payable in respect of consumers specified in the Second Schedule therein.

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.

$$T_0 = (a\Delta I + b\Delta FI\Delta FX + c\Delta K) = T_1$$

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 year audited financial accounts.

Δ = 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, that is, foreign inputs in the production process based on the previous years audited financial accounts.

FI = Foreign retail price index based on the United States 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 percentage 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. Water and Sewerage Connection Policy.

Effective 1st July, 2015, the NWSC will discontinue its simplified connection policy for both Water and Sewerage Services for all customer categories, except Public Stand Posts. Therefore, all new customers, except for Public Stand Posts will be required to meet the total connection costs including the connection fee, materials such as pipes and fittings, meter, trenching and labor costs, etc. However, the Corporation will continue maintaining all customer water service lines upto the meter.

5. NWSC Water Facility.

- (a) effective 1st July 2015, a Water Facility will be introduced and will cater for network expansion, asset renewal, and production capacity enhancement, aimed at ensuring increased accessibility and expansion of service coverage within the urban areas.
- (b) the funds previously used for the Water and Sewerage Simplified Connection Policy will be converted as part of the Water Facility.
- (c) a 10% surcharge on the Tariff will be introduced in the Tariff over two years starting with 5% in the Yr1 (2015/16), and 5% in Yr2 (2016/17).
- (d) the surcharge will not affect the price at stand posts in order to ensure affordable services to the poor.

6. The Water (General Rates) Instrument, 2006 is hereby amended accordingly.

SCHEDULES

FIRST SCHEDULE

1. WATER SUPPLY

CONSUMER CATEGORY RATE

1.1 PUBLIC STAND PIPES

- (a) Unmetered Shs. 99,225 per month
- (b) Metered Shs. 1,377 per cubic meter
- (c) Service charges Shs. 2,000 per month

1.2 CONSUMER CATEGORY RATE

1.2.1 RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

- (a) Unmetered Shs. Assessed at Shs. 2,236/m³

 1 tap 6m³ Shs. 13,416 per month

 2-4 taps 18m³ Shs. 40,248 per month

 5-8 taps 30m³ Shs. 67,080 per month

 Over 8 taps 45m³ Shs. 100,620 per month

- (b) Metered Shs. 2,236 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

1.2.2 INSTITUTIONS AND GOVERNMENT

- (a) Unmetered Shs. Assessed at Shs. 2,236/m³

 No. of users 1-5 20 m³ 55,040/= per month

 6-15 60 m³ 165,120/= per month

 16-25 100 m³ 275,200/= per month

 26-50 120 m³ 330,240/= per month

 51-100 150 m³ 412,800/= per month

 101-250 300 m³ 825,600/= per month

 More than 250 550 m³ 1,513,600/= per month

- (b) Metered Shs. 2,752 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

1.2.3 INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL

(a) Metered

First 500 cubic meters per month	...	Shs. 3,376 per cu meter
501 – 1500 cubic meters per month	...	Shs. 3,376 per cu meter
Over 1500 cubic meters per month	...	Shs. 2,698 per cu meter

(b) Unmetered Assessed at Shs. 3,376/m³

No. of users	1-5	20 m ³	67,520/= per month
	6-15	60 m ³	202,560/= per month
	16-25	100 m ³	337,600/= per month
	26-50	120 m ³	405,120/= per month
	51-100	150 m ³	506,400/= per month
	101-250	300 m ³	1,012,800/= per month
More than 250		550 m ³	1,856,800/= per month

(c) Service Charges

1/2"	.....	2,000
3/4"	.....	5,000
1"	.....	7,500
2"	.....	10,000
3"	.....	15,000
4"	.....	20,000
6"	.....	30,000

1.3 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

Connection Size			Charge
1/2"	supply	.....	Shs. 89,000
3/4"	supply	.....	Shs. 178,000
1"	supply	.....	Shs. 356,000
2"	supply	.....	Shs. 1,335,000
Above 2"	supply	.....	Shs. 2,670,000

3.0 RECONNECTION FEES

After disconnection for non-payment of water charges

All connections below 2"	.....	Shs.	10,000
Connections 2" and above	.....	Shs.	20,000

4.0 PENALTIES

(a) Where a consumer makes an illegal connection,

removes or by passes a meter Shs. 400,000 plus a charge for water consumed during the last 24 months.

(b) Damage of installed water meter

1/2"	.....	Shs.	50,000
3/4"	.....	Shs.	70,000
1"	.....	Shs.	115,000
1 1/2"	.....	Shs.	258,000
2"	.....	Shs.	287,000
3"	.....	Shs.	300,000
4"	.....	Shs.	418,000
6"	.....	Shs.	485,000

(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 two 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 net work. It shall be determined by the Corporation depending on the area of supply but shall not exceed 800 shillings per cubic meter.

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

4"	178,000
6"	222,500
over 6"	297,260

SECOND SCHEDULE

TOWNS IN WHICH NWSC SUPPLIES WATER AND PROVIDES SEWERAGE SERVICES

1	Kampala	24	Hoima	47	Nyamirama	70	Sironko	93	Kalaki
2	Mukono	25	Mbarara	48	Mayuge	71	Budadiri	94	Atariri
3	Wakiso	26	Kabale	49	Ibanda	72	Rubindi	95	Kapeeka
4	Jinja	27	Bushenyi	50	Lyantonde	73	Bwizibera	96	Kagoma
5	Njeru	28	Ishaka	51	Kamwenge	74	Bugiri	97	Ssemuto
6	Entebbe	29	Bombo	52	Kitagata	75	Naluwerere	98	Bugonji
7	Kajjansi	30	Nebbi	53	Kigumba	76	Buwuni		
8	Lugazi	31	Kabwohe	54	Kiryandongo	77	Buwenge		
9	Mbale	32	Itendero	55	Bweyale	78	Kamuli		
10	Iganga	33	Kyangyenyi	56	Kaliro	79	Mbulamuti		
11	Soroti	34	Kisoro	57	Otuboi	80	Zirobwe		
12	Tororo	35	Rukungiri	58	Kitgum	81	Kalungu		
13	Malaba	36	Kebisoni	59	Pader	82	Kyotera		
14	Masaka	37	Buyanja	60	Apac	83	Sanje		
15	Kaberamaido	38	Rwerere	61	Aduku	84	Kakuuto		
16	Amuria	39	Nyakagyeme	62	Kalisizo	85	Mutukula		
17	Gulu	40	Kanungu	63	Paidha	86	Ntungamo		
18	Lira	41	Kihihi	64	Mityana	87	Ibuje		
19	Arua	42	Kambuga	65	Luwero	88	Moroto		
20	Mubende	43	Butogota	66	Wobulenzi	89	Kangole		
21	Fort Portal	44	Kanyampanga	67	Rushere	90	Matany		
22	Kasese	45	Kanyantorogo	68	Kiruhura	91	Biharwe		
23	Masindi	46	Kateete	69	Kazo	92	Kabereebere		

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