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VALLEJO WATER RATE INCREASE

Effective July 1, 2008, rates for Vallejo water customers will increase. City residential customers will see an increase of 5%. For the average customer with usage of 12 units per month, this will result in an increase of \$1.83 per month.

Water rates were the subject of a study completed in 2004 by Brown and Caldwell Environmental Engineers and Consultants. At the time the study was initiated, the water system was being run at a deficit. As a result, most capital improvement and rehabilitation projects were cancelled. The study resulted in a 5 year Utility Financing Plan which included rate increases each year through FY 2008-2009. The rate increases included in the current 5 year plan provide the needed funds to adequately operate, maintain, and improve the system to continue to provide healthy and reliable water to the City's water customers.

The new water rates are effective July 1, 2008. Since billing is done bi-monthly, the billing will reflect the FY2007-2008 rate for water consumption prior to July 1, 2008 and the FY 2008-2009 rate for water consumption after July 1, 2008.

A copy of the Water Rate Schedule for FY 2008-2009 is available on the City of Vallejo website at www.ci.vallejo.ca.us under Public Works/Water Division.