

Central Washington County Water Supply Corporation

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Fellow members;

It has been over 3 1/2 years since the rates for water from CWCWSC have changed. Since that time, we have seen the number of customers (meters) increase approximately 15% to the current number of 834.

It is now necessary to increase the rates effective April 1 per the attached schedule (on back). The rate changes and restructuring are designed to (1) stress water conservation, (2) help pay for the new facilities that are discussed below, (3) help pay for modifications to the system to comply with TCEQ regulations as to water quality and (4) require the larger volume users to pay a higher proportional share.

Over 30% of our members use less than 2000 gallons per month and their increase will be \$2.50 per month. Over 70% of our customers use less than 6000 gallons per month. The increase at the 6000 gallon level will be \$4.50 per month.

The TCEQ (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) dictates the well capacity and storage capacity that we must maintain for existing and future customers. A study commissioned by CWCWSC with O'Malley Strand consultants showed that we need to increase both storage and well capacity. To meet the requirements, we will be adding a well near the Berlin site and add storage and filtration at the Berlin plant. We are in the process of obtaining financing for the project and will keep you informed.

If there are any questions, we encourage you to attend our next Board meeting on March 20, 2017 and our annual Member meeting on April 17, 2017.

CWCWSC Board of Directors