

CITY OF MCCOMB

POLICY AND PROCEDURE NO. 2.27

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SUBJECT: Water and Sewer Rate Review

DATE REVISED: 04/22/2008

I. POLICY:

It shall be the policy of the City of McComb that water and sewer rates will be reviewed annually and presented to the Board of Mayor and Selectmen for adjustments they deem appropriate. It is anticipated that the water and sewer rates shall be annually adjusted, at a minimum, by the same percentage as the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Southeastern Regional Office, Atlanta, GA)

II. GENERAL:

The State of Mississippi must comply with requirements of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). One requirement of the SDWA is that each state implement a Capacity Development Program to improve the technical, managerial and financial capacity of the state's drinking water systems. The Financial Capacity Assessment section of the Mississippi Department of Health-Division of Water Supply Capacity Assessment Rating form requires that a water system has an officially adopted policy that rates be routinely reviewed and adjustments made as appropriate. This policy is intended to bring the City of McComb into compliance with that requirement.

III. PROCEDURE

The Public Works Director, in coordination with the City Clerk/Finance Director, will annually Review the water and sewer rates for the City of McComb. This shall be done as soon as reasonably possible after the audited financial statement for the previous Fiscal Year is received and the CPI percentage increase/decrease is known. This should be accomplished and presented to the City Administrator not later than May 1 of each year. After the City Administrator's review the rate analysis will be presented to the Board for their consideration and action.

IV. Conclusion:

This policy will help keep McComb in compliance with MSDH regulations and give the Board an opportunity to review water and sewer rates in an effort to keep our system viable.