GOVERNMENT NOTICE NO. 56

WATERWORKS ACT

(CAP 72:01)

WATERWORKS (LILONGWE WATER BOARD) (WATER SUPPLY CHARGES) (AMENDMENT) BY-LAWS, 2021

IN EXERCISE of powers conferred by section 56 of the Waterworks Act, the Lilongwe Water Board, with the approval of the Minister of Forestry and Natural Resources, make the following By-laws

Citation and commencement

1. These By-laws may be cited as the Waterworks (Lilongwe Water Board) (Water Supply Charges) (Amendment) By-laws, 2021 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st November, 2021.

Amendment of the Third Schedule to GN. 65 of 2018

2. The Waterworks (Lilongwe Water Board) (Water Supply Charges) By-laws (hereinafter referred to as the "principal By-laws") are amended by revoking the First Schedule and replacing therefor the following new Schedule—

"FIRST SCHEDULE By-laws 2

WATER CHARGES

1. For water supplied in bulk to kiosks, a flat rate shall be levied per $m^3$ as follows—

| *Item No.* | *Customer category* | *Band* | *Tariff (Before VAT)* K t |
|---|---|---|---|
| (*a*) | Community Kiosks | Flat rate (K/$m^3$) . . | . . 269 00 |
| (*b*) | The Board's Kiosks | Flat rate (K/$m^3$) . . | . . 299 00 |

2. For water supplied for domestic purpose—

| *Item No.* | *Band* | *Tariff (Before VAT)* K t |
|---|---|---|
| (*a*) | Up to 5$m^3$ (Flat rate-minimum charge) . . | . . 2,504 00 |
| (*b*) | >5-10$m^3$ (K/$m^3$) . . . . . . . . | . . 719 00 |

| *Item No.* | *Band* | *Tariff (Before VAT)* K t |
|---|---|---|
| (*c*) | >10 $m^3$ ($K/m^3$) . . . . . | 1,001 00 |
| (*d*) | Prepaid meters all bands (Flat rate) . . . . | 1,001 00 |

3. For water measured by common meter and supplied to schools, colleges, hospitals, sports and cultural stadiums or grounds or places of worship, cemeteries and crematoria, social and recreational clubs not operated for gain, and places of public resort—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (*a*) | Up to 10 (Flat rate-minimum charge) . . . . | 22,671 00 |
| (*b*) | >10 - 40$m^3$ ($K/m^3$) . . . . . | 2,535 00 |
| (*c*) | >40 $m^3$ ($K/m^3$) . . . . . | 2,715 00 |
| (*d*) | Prepaid meters all bands (Flat rate) . . . . | 2,715 00 |

4. For water supplied to Government buildings where the Government is the registered meter holder—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (*a*) | Up to 10$m^3$ (Flat rate-minimum charge) . . | 22,671 00 |
| (*b*) | >10 - 40$m^3$ ($K/m^3$) . . . . . | 2,535 00 |
| (*c*) | >40 $m^3$ ($K/m^3$) . . . . . | 2,715 00 |
| (*d*) | Prepaid meters all bands (Flat rate) . . . . | 2,715 00 |

5. For water supplied for commercial or industrial purposes—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (*a*) | Up to 10$m^3$ (Flat rate-minimum charge) . . | 12, 623 00 |
| (*b*) | >10 - 40$m^3$ ($K/m^3$) . . . . . | 2, 774 00 |
| (*c*) | >40 $m^3$ ($K/m^3$) . . . . . | 3, 017 00 |
| (*d*) | Prepaid meters all bands (Flat rate) . . . . | 3, 017 00 |

6. For bulk water sales per cubic metre to Bunda (Central Region Water Board)—

| *Item No.* | *Customer category* | *Band* | *Tariff (Before VAT)* K t |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Bunda (Central Region Water Board) | Flat rate ($K/m^3$) | 611 00" |

3. The principal By-laws are amended by revoking the Second Schedule and replacing therefor the following Schedule as the Second Schedule— Amendment of the Second Schedule to the principal By-laws

"SECOND SCHEDULE (By-laws 3)

FEE, DEPOSITS AND PENALTIES

| *No.* | *ITEM DESCRIPTION* | *CUSTOMER CATEGORY/ SIZE OF METER* | *TARIFF (BEFORE VAT)* K t |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Meter testing fees | All meter sizes . . . . | 7,000 00 |
| 2. | Reconnection fees | All customer categories . . . . | 7,500 00 |

| *No.* | *ITEM DESCRIPTION* | *CUSTOMER CATEGORY/ SIZE OF METER* | *TARIFF (BEFORE VAT)* K | t |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3. | Meter deposit on postpaid meters | Residential/Kiosks . . . . | 15,000 | 00 |
| | | Commercial/Institution | 15,000 | 00 |
| | | Contractors . . . . . | 50,000 | 00 |
| 4. | Meter deposit on prepaid meters | Residential/Kiosks . . . . | 30,000 | 00 |
| | | Commercial/Institution . . | 50,000 | 00 |
| 5. | Sewer connection fees | Commercial-CBD and Industrial | 300,000 | 00 |
| | | Commercial Normal and Institutional | 200,000 | 00 |
| | | Domestic . . . . . | 50,000 | 00 |
| 6. | Penalty on returned cheques | All customer categories . . | 30,000 | 00 |
| 7. | Change of customer details | All customer categories . . | Free | |
| 8. | Post-paid meter damage/loss | 15mm . . . . . | 45,000 | 00 |
| | | 20mm . . . . . | 47,000 | 00 |
| | | 25mm . . . . . | 94,000 | 00 |
| | | 40mm . . . . . | 169,950 | 00 |
| | | 50mm . . . . . | 220,935 | 00 |
| | | 80mm . . . . . | 790,000 | 00 |
| | | 100mm . . . . . | 1,050,000 | 00 |
| 9. | Prepaid meter damage/loss | 15 mm . . . . . | 109,500 | 00 |
| | | 20mm . . . . . | 120,000 | 00 |
| | | 25mm . . . . . | 126,750 | 00 |
| | | 40mm . . . . . | 550,500 | 00 |
| | | 50mm . . . . . | 761,500 | 00 |
| | | 80mm . . . . . | 1,467,750 | 00 |
| | | 100mm . . . . . | 1,992,000 | 00 |
| 10. | Prepaid meter CIU damage/Loss | . . . . . | 45,000 | 00 |
| 11. | Statement printing | All customer categories . . | 500 | 00 |
| 12. | Bowser hiring | | | |
| | (*a*) cost of water per $m^3$ - Domestic . . . . . | | 1,001 | 00 |
| | (*b*) cost of water per $m^3$ – Commercial . . . . . | | 2,916 | 00 |
| | (*c*) cost of water per $m^3$ – Institutional . . . . . | | 2,625 | 00 |
| | (*d*) administrative fee . . . . . | | 5,000 | 00 |
| | (*e*) bowser rental per day. . . . . | | 7,875 | 00 |
| | (*f*) mileage per km . . . . . | | 250 | 00 |
| | (*g*) fuel- per km . . . . . | | 350 | 00 |

| *No.* | *ITEM DESCRIPTION* | *CUSTOMER CATEGORY/ SIZE OF METER* | *TARIFF (BEFORE VAT)* K | t |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 13. | Commercial plumbing | | 200,000 | 00 |
| 14. | Sewerage disposal less than 3,000 $m^3$ | | 5,000 | 00 |
| | Between 3,000$m^3$- 9,000 $m^3$ | | 10,000 | 00 |
| | Above 9,000 $m^3$ | | 20,000 | 00 |
| 15. | Penalty for meter tampering, by-passes and self-reconnections | | | |
| | (*a*) infringement Charge-Domestic | | 500,000 | 00 |
| | (*b*) infringement Charge-Kiosk | | 500,000 | 00 |
| | (*c*) infringement Charge-Industrial/ Commercial/ Institutional | | 3,000,000 | 00 |
| | (*d*) cost of stolen water per $m^3$- Domestic. | | 2,500 | 00 |
| | (*e*) cost of stolen water per $m^3$- Kiosks. | | 2,500 | 00 |
| | (*f*) cost of stolen water per $m^3$- Industrial/ Commercial/ Institutional | | 5,000 | 00 |
| | (*g*) administrative charge | | 37,500 | 00 |

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"THIRD SCHEDULE By-law (4)

NEW CONNECTION CHARGES

For new connections, the charge shall be at the actual cost to the Board at the time the work is being carried out.".

Made this 29th day of October, 2021

S. MBEWE
*Chief Executive Officer*

G. KAJANGA
*Chairperson*

Approved this 29th day of October, 2021.

N. TEMBO
*Minister of Forestry and Natural Resources*

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