

SUPERIOR WASTEWATER SYSTEMS

Providing Superior Wastewater Service to Tennessee

November 6, 2024

Ms. Michelle Mairs, Deputy Director
Utilities Division
Tennessee Public Utility Commission
502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

Electronically Filed in TPUC Docket
Room November 6, 2024 at 11:51 a.m.

**Re: JOINT PETITION OF SUPERIOR WASTEWATER SYSTEMS, LLC, AND TPUC
STAFF (AS A PARTY) TO INCREASE RATES AND CHARGES.
DOCKET NO. 22-00087**

TARIFF FILING FOR RECOVERY OF RATE CASE EXPENSE

Dear Ms. Mairs:

On August 14, 2023, in Docket 22-00087, the voting panel in this Docket approved an increase in rates for Superior Wastewater Systems, LLC (SWS) for \$37,838 for recovery of rate case expenses at the monthly rate of \$6.01 per customer. This surcharge was made effective for an 18-month period from September 1, 2023, through February 1, 2025.

Since September 1, 2023, SWS has recovered \$40,170.84 through this surcharge as shown below.

Date	Bills	Surcharge Rate	Collection
September 2023	399	\$6.01	\$2,397.99
October	409	6.01	2,458.09
November	418	6.01	2,512.18
December	428	6.01	2,572.28
January 2024	430	6.01	2,584.30
February	433	6.01	2,602.33
March	437	6.01	2,626.37
April	446	6.01	2,680.46
May	452	6.01	2,716.52
June	463	6.01	2,782.63
July	467	6.01	2,806.67
August	469	6.01	2,818.69
September	471	6.01	2,830.71
October	476	6.01	2,860.76
November	486	6.01	2,920.86
Total	6,684		\$40,170.84

9539 Mullens Road, Arrington, TN 37014
Telephone: 615-834-1222

SWS intends to discontinue this surcharge for bills rendered on and after December 1, 2024. SWS also intends to transfer the \$-2,332.84 (\$40,170.84 collections less \$37,838.00 in authorized rate case costs) in excess funds collected from the surcharge into our escrow fund. All records related to the collection of the rate case surcharge will be retained by SWS and made available for your inspection.

Attached are two copies of SWS's proposed tariff (clean and redline) with an effective date of December 1, 2024 reflecting this change.

Thank you for your timely consideration of this filing. Should you have any questions, or need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Powell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Powell" clearly distinguishable.

John Powell
President & General Manager

Cc: William H. Novak

SUPERIOR WASTEWATER SYSTEMS

**DOCKET 22-00087 JOINT RATE CASE
RECOVERY OF RATE CASE COSTS**

**UNREDACTED (CLEAN) PROPOSED
TARIFF SHEETS**

Superior Wastewater Systems
Wastewater Service Billing Summary
Residential Service

System	Monthly Charge
Ashby Communities – Sheet 2	\$51.53
Hill and Roberts Parcels – Sheet 3	55.77
Fox Parcel – Sheet 4	55.77
Taliaferro Road Parcel – Sheet 5	55.77
Triune-Residential – Sheet 6	70.00

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Commercial Service

System	Volumetric Charge Per 1000 Gals
Triune-Low Strength Effluent Disposal – Sheet 11	\$8.11
Triune-Medium Strength Effluent Disposal – Sheet 12	10.38
Triune-High Strength Effluent Disposal – Sheet 13	15.66
Triune-Hotels – Sheet 14	10.38

Superior Wastewater Systems
Ashby Communities Billing Rates

	Monthly Charge
Base Rate Charge	\$45.64
Escrow Charge	10.13
Bonding Charge **	-4.24
Total	\$51.53

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Incidental Rates:

Late Payment	5% of Bill.
Disconnection	\$10.00
Reconnection	\$15.00
Returned Check	\$20.00

** Bonding Cost incurred is passed through to the customer with no markup by the Company.

Total Bonding Cost		
Amount of Bond	\$147,500	
Interest Rate	7.95%	(1% Letter of Credit + 6.95% Debt Funding)
Bond Pass-Thru Cost	\$11,726	
Less Prior Recovered Cost	24,744	
Total Surcharge/(Refund)	\$-13,018	
Projected Bills	3,067	(256 Customers * 12 Months)
Total	\$-4.24	

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Superior Wastewater Systems
Hill and Roberts Parcel Billing Rates

	Monthly Charge
Base Rate Charge	\$45.64
Escrow Charge	10.13
Bonding Charge **	0.00
Total	\$55.77

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Superior Wastewater Systems
Fox Parcel Billing Rates

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Base Rate Charge	\$45.64
Escrow Charge	10.13
Bonding Charge **	0.00
Total	\$55.77

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Superior Wastewater Systems
Taliaferro Road Parcel Billing Rates

	Monthly Charge
Base Rate Charge	\$45.64
Escrow Charge	10.13
Bonding Charge **	0.00
Total	\$55.77

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Returned Check	\$20.00

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**DOCKET 22-00087 JOINT RATE CASE
RECOVERY OF RATE CASE COSTS**

REDLINE PROPOSED TARIFF SHEETS

**Superior Wastewater Systems
Wastewater Service Billing Summary
Residential Service**

System	Monthly Charge
Ashby Communities – Sheet 2	\$57.54 <u>51.53</u>
Hill and Roberts Parcels – Sheet 3	61.78 <u>55.77</u>
Fox Parcel – Sheet 4	61.78 <u>55.77</u>
Taliaferro Road Parcel – Sheet 5	61.78 <u>55.77</u>
Triune-Residential – Sheet 6	70.00

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Superior Wastewater Systems
Ashby Communities Billing Rates

	Monthly Charge
Base Rate Charge	\$45.64
Escrow Charge	10.13
Bonding Charge **	-4.24
Rate Case Surcharge in Docket No. 22-00087 ***	6.01
Total	<u>\$57.5451.53</u>

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Total	\$-4.24	

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**Superior Wastewater Systems
Hill and Roberts Parcel Billing Rates**

	Monthly Charge
Base Rate Charge	\$45.64
Escrow Charge	10.13
Bonding Charge **	0.00
Rate Case Surcharge in Docket No. 22-00087 ***	6.01
Total	<u>\$61.7855.77</u>

Incidental Rates:

Late Payment	5% of Bill.
Disconnection	\$10.00
Reconnection	\$15.00
Returned Check	\$20.00

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**Superior Wastewater Systems
Fox Parcel Billing Rates**

	Monthly Charge
Base Rate Charge	\$45.64
Escrow Charge	10.13
Bonding Charge **	0.00
Rate Case Surcharge in Docket No. 22-00087 ***	6.01
Total	<u>\$61.7855.77</u>

Incidental Rates:

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Disconnection	\$10.00
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Returned Check	\$20.00

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**Superior Wastewater Systems
Taliaferro Road Parcel Billing Rates**

	Monthly Charge
Base Rate Charge	\$45.64
Escrow Charge	10.13
Bonding Charge **	0.00
Rate Case Surcharge in Docket No. 22-00087 ***	6.01
Total	<u>\$61.7855.77</u>

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