

Grant County Sanitary Sewer Rate Increase Response (Case No.2022-00377)

Intervenor City of Crittenden's Request for an Alternative Rate Adjustment

**Question #** 34a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j

For each of the past GCSD rate case filings, provide:

- a) filing date
- b) test year
- c) the amount of the increase requested
- d) the percentage of increase requested
- e) the amount and percentage of increase requested
- f) the average residential bill amount before and after the rate increase
- g) the average residential percentage bill increase
- h) whether the case was litigated or settled
- i) the total rate case costs incurred, and
- j) the effective date of new rates

**Witness** Dianne Cook

**Answer**

We have had two rate increases since the inception of the Grant County Sanitary Sewer District. One increase took effect in 2006 and the second took effect in 2020. Find below the answers for 34a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i and j broken out for each of the rate increases.

Rate Increase taken into effect in 2006

- 34a) The Grant County Sanitary Sewer District applied for an initial rate increase on 07/25/05. After supplying additional information to the PSC to the filing was considered complete with the PSC on 12/27/05.
- 34b) 06/01/04 - 05/31/2005
- 34c) \$23.31 on an average residential monthly bill
- 34d) 45.7%
- 34e) \$8.06 or 62%
- 34f) The amount of the average residential bill before the rate increase was the rate from when the sewer was under the City of Crittenden's Management. That rate was \$13.00. The average monthly bill after the rate increase was \$21.06 minimum bill. The old rate for 5,000 gallons was \$29.50. The new rate for 5,000 gallons is \$45.81.
- 34g) 55%

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- 34h) No, the rate increase wasn't litigated or settled
- 34i) Costs associated with this particular rate increase weren't tracked separately.
- 34j) April 12, 2006

Rate Increase Taken into Effect in 2020

- 34a) 12/9/19
- 34b) 2018
- 34c) \$4.10 for minimum bill of 2000 gallons  
\$8.93 for an average bill of 5,000 gallons
- 34d) 19.5%
- 34e) \$2.18 or 10.35%
- 34f) The amount of the average residential bill before the rate increase was \$45.81. The average monthly bill after the rate increase was \$50.57. These are both based on an average bill of 5,000 gallons.
- 34g) 10.35%
- 34h) No the rate increase wasn't litigated or settled.
- 34i) Estimated costs associated with the rate increase with the rate case in 2020 are \$16,523.38. This is made up of \$11,191.25 of accounting services provided by Morris & Bressler and \$5,332.13 of legal services provided by Tom Nienaber.
- 34j) 05/06/2020