

# IURC News Release

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## **IURC APPROVES MODIFIED RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR MARION WATER**

Today in Cause No. 42720, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) modified and then approved a proposed settlement agreement that will impact rates of customers of Marion City Water.

The Commissioners agree that the current rates and charges do not provide sufficient funds to meet the necessary expenses and approve the 61.27-percent water rate increase as submitted by the city of Marion and the Office of Utility Consumer Counselor. However, the Commissioners do not think there is sufficient evidence in the record to support a proposed customer surcharge of \$3.06 cents a month for fire protection and hydrant charges, and reject that portion of the settlement.

The city may resubmit its request for a fire protection and hydrant charge through the Commission's 30-day filing procedure. This will give the Commission's Gas/Water/Sewer Division an opportunity to more carefully scrutinize the request.

The table below shows the customer impact of the rate approved by the IURC.

### **EFFECTS ON RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS**

<u>Usage (Cu. Ft.)</u>	<u>Usage (gallons)</u>	<u>Bill at current rates</u>	<u>Bill at proposed rates</u>	<u>Percentage increase</u>
667	5,000	\$14.85	\$23.94	61.27%
700	5,250	\$15.25	\$24.60	61.27%
1,000	7,500	\$18.94	\$30.55	61.27%

The city of Marion Water Utility serves more than 11,000 residential and commercial customers. The city's last rate case was approved by the Commission on August 5, 1992.

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