

RESOLUTION

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OF THE BOROUGH OF PORTAGE

Made this 5th day of November, 1998 at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Portage.

WHEREAS, there are areas within the Authority's system that are served by privately owned water mains; and

WHEREAS, in many instances, the private lines are of substandard construction, prone to leaks and presenting a potential danger of contamination of both customers served by the lines and to other customers of the water system through backflow; and

WHEREAS, the private water mains are a source of leaks of potable water which the owners of the lines are not currently paying for and which present a danger of loss of water during critical emergencies, or droughts.

NOW THEREFORE, the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Portage hereby adopts the following amendment to its Rates Rules and Procedures:

Rule 6(a) Private Supply Lines

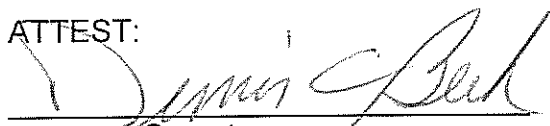
The Authority finds that private supply lines serving multiple customers creates problems and dangers for health, leaks and billing. The possibility of contamination entering the system through privately owned water mains which have not met Authority specifications or which may be repaired by a private owner, represents a serious public health hazard.

- A) No private water main, serving two or more customers, shall hereinafter be connected to the Authority's water system, and
- B) Existing private water mains shall within 30 days of the adoption of this rule be equipped with a shut-off valve, meter and backflow control device at its point of connection with the Authority system. All devices installed shall be AWWA approved for the application utilized, and
- C) Owners of private water mains shall be billed, beginning January 1, 1999, for the difference between water entering the private main and water recorded on meters of Authority customers served by the main, and
- D) Where the owner of a private water main fails to install the devices prescribed in Section B above of this rule, within 30 days, the Authority shall enter onto the property of the owner of the private water line and install the devices, at the expense of the owner of the private water line.

The foregoing amendment shall be effective upon adoption.

Adopted by the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Portage on the date first set forth above.

ATTEST:


Secretary
(Seal)

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By: 
Chairman