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UNIVERSITY AREA JOINT AUTHORITY

1576 Spring Valley Road
State College, PA 16801

Rate Increase

The quarterly rate for sewer service will increase by 4.63 percent from the current \$108 per equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) to \$113 per EDU. The rate is effective with the first quarter bills which you will receive in early April 2024.

The increase is necessary because of rapidly increasing costs in chemicals, utilities, repair parts, and inflation in general. In response to the nationwide economic conditions, growth in the Centre Region has slowed significantly, which reduces development project revenue (tapping fees) and revenue growth from new customers.

In addition to the foregoing, UAJA currently maintains a \$2 million deficit with respect to State College Borough's account that is subject to ongoing litigation.

UAJA's rates are near the average for all sewer rates across the State of Pennsylvania. Over the past 25 years, UAJA rates have grown at less than the nationwide rate of inflation. UAJA will continue to take actions to keep the rates as low as possible while improving the environment.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cory Miller', is positioned above the printed name and title.

Cory Miller
Executive Director
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