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Name

Address

Loveland, CO 80537

Re: High Strength Sewer Surcharge

In an effort to establish a fairly and equitably administered pretreatment program the City of Loveland initiated a high strength sewage discharge program which has been in the Loveland Municipal Code since 1976 (Section 13.08.101). Your business falls under a classification that will result in the business being charged a high strength sewer surcharge fee.

The high strength sewage discharge program recovers the costs of treating waste that are of a higher concentration than domestic wastewater. Typical domestic wastewater contains 246 milligrams per liter (mg/l) of biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and 249 mg/l of total suspended solids (TSS). The excess BOD and TSS for a fast food establishment is 154 mg/l and 201 mg/l, respectively.

The surcharge fee is based on the surcharge rate times the monthly water usage. One way to reduce the surcharge amount is to utilize water conservation methods. The surcharge rate is based on the cost associated with treating BOD and TSS multiplied by the expected BOD and TSS concentration for the business. The calculated surcharge rate for your business is \$0.70 per 1,000 gallons. You will notice a surcharge fee on your next utility bill. It will be charged monthly, thereafter.

If you feel the information the City used to calculate your surcharge fee is inaccurate, there is a rate review process that can be initiated by you. This process includes you filing an application for review and having analytical tests performed to have the actual discharge strength determined. The surcharge will be adjusted to whatever the results of the tests show, whether higher or lower.

If you have any questions call or write: Pretreatment Coordinator
200 North Wilson Avenue
Loveland, Colorado 80537
(970)-962-3719

Sincerely,

Bill Thomas
Pretreatment Coordinator

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