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## SUMMER YARD WATERING NOTICE AND APPLICATION

In preparation for the summer yard watering season, the Council for the City of Tipp City has made two changes to the utility billing regulations pertaining to billing a sewer charge for water used outside the home.

On August 18, 2014, City Council adopted Ordinance 17-14 which permits the installation of an irrigation meter, at the homeowner's expense, to physically separate water used inside the home from water used outside the home. Residents will be charged for all water used inside and outside the home, but will only be charged the sewer charges for consumption of water used inside the home. Because the meter physically separates flows inside from flows outside the home this billing mechanism is in place year-round.

On March 16, 2015, City Council adopted Ordinance 7-15 which provides for the continuation of a cap on summer sewer charges whereby a resident is billed sewage charges on the lesser of actual consumption or a maximum of 17,000 gallons during the monthly billing dates of June 1, July 1, August 1, September 1, October 1, and November 1 (approximately April 15-October 15 consumption). This is the programming used in prior years and will not require a resident to do anything to continue to receive this summer sewer cap.

A significant change for 2015 and future periods: "In lieu of installing a secondary water meter, a residential customer may submit an application for relief, for those months including the billing dates of July 1, August 1, September 1, October 1, and November 1 (approximately May 15-October 15 consumption) all single-family residential housing units will have their **sewer and wastewater charges** capped at a maximum consumption based upon the average water consumption for the preceding seven months (the "winter average") at that residential unit. Billing in these instances will be the lesser of actual water consumption or the "winter average" consumption. Customers will still be charged for 100% of the water consumption for these summer months.

(a) An occupant shall have lived at such unit's location throughout said preceding seven month period to qualify for such summer average.

(b) An occupant who has utility services disconnected for a period in excess of four consecutive weeks during the seven month "winter average" period will not be eligible for such summer average."

Each resident will have to determine which of these three options is to their benefit:

- 1) irrigation meter
- 2) 17,000 gallon consumption cap (automatically applied)
- 3) "winter averaging" (application is required)

**To apply for the "winter average" program, please complete the bottom of this form and return this entire form to the Utility Billing office located at 260 S. Garber Dr., Tipp City, Ohio.**

**I hereby apply for inclusion in the City of Tipp City's "winter averaging" program whereby summer sewer charges for the months referenced above will be based upon the average of my winter water consumption.**

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Service Address</b>	<b>E-mail Address (if resident desires to receive periodic City related updates via e-mail)</b>
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<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Account Number</b>
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