

## Water Utility Board Policy

Title:	<b>Affordability</b>		
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Madison Water Utility customers will pay an affordable rate for water, recognizing that this affects investment in infrastructure and water quality improvements. Although the Water Utility has the responsibility to ensure the long-term maintenance and repair of water supply infrastructure, the Water Utility should carry out infrastructure investments at a pace that allows for reasonable annual rate hikes for consumers.

Accordingly,

1. Water rates will be between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentile for Class AB utilities (those serving 4,000 customers or more) in Wisconsin.

2. Annual rate increases will be limited to 12% or less.

3.2. Water rates will complement economic growth in Madison.