PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL CUSTOMERS OF VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER WATER UTILITY

The Village of Dorchester Water Utility has filed an application with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSCW) to increase water rates. The increase is necessary to cover recent operating losses and to generate capital for future plant expansion. The last water rate case was in 2007.

The total increase in water revenues requested is \$183,201 which will result in an estimated overall rate increase of 121% over the water utility's present revenues. If the request is granted, the water bill for an average residential customer with a $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch or $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch meter who uses 8,000 gallons of water per quarter will increase from \$53.20 to \$114.00, or 114%.

A telephonic public hearing on the application has been scheduled for August 13, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. in the Village Clerk/Treasurer's Office, 228 West Washington Street, Dorchester, Wisconsin. Scheduling questions regarding this hearing may be directed to the PSCW at (608) 266-3766.

A person may testify in this proceeding without becoming a party and without attorney representation. A person may submit this testimony in one of the following ways:

- Web Comment. Go to the PSCW's web site at <u>http://psc.wi.gov</u>, click on the "Public Comments" button on the side menu bar. On the next page select the "File a comment" link that appears for docket number 1660-WR-102. Web comments shall be received no later than the day before the hearing.
- **Oral Comment.** Spoken testimony at the public hearing session.
- Written Comment. Instead of speaking at the hearing, write out a comment and submit it at the public hearing session.
- **Mail Comment.** All comments submitted by U.S. mail shall be received no later than the day before the hearing and shall be addressed to: Docket 1660-WR-102 Comments, Public Service Commission, and P.O. Box 7854, Madison, WI 53707-7854.

The PSCW intends to webcast this hearing live on the PSCW's web site at <u>http://psc.wi.gov</u> under the "PSC Live Broadcast" button.

All documents in this docket are filed on the Commission's Electronic Regulatory Filing (ERF) system. To view these documents: (1) go to the Commission's web site at <u>http://psc.wi.gov</u>, (2) enter "1660-WR-102" in the box labeled "Link Directly to a Case," and (3) select "GO."

If you have any questions, please contact the Village of Dorchester Water Utility at (715) 654-5106.

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