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PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT (CHAPTER 261)

PUBLIC UTILITIES (WATERBORNE TAX) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 2017

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 20(4) of the Public Utilities Act, the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order is the Public Utilities (Waterborne Tax) (Amendment) Order 2017 and comes into operation on 1 July 2017.

Amendment of paragraph 2

2. Paragraph 2(1) of the Public Utilities (Waterborne Tax) Order 2013 (G.N. No. S 43/2013) (called in this Order the principal Order) is amended —

- (*a*) by deleting the semi-colon at the end of the definition of "non-domestic premises" and substituting a full-stop; and
- (b) by deleting the definition of "sanitary appliance".

Amendment of paragraph 3

3. Paragraph 3 of the principal Order is amended —

- (a) by deleting sub-paragraph (a) of sub-paragraph (1);
- (b) by deleting the words "subject to sub-paragraph (2), the amount specified in Part II" in sub-paragraph (1)(b) and substituting the words "subject to sub-paragraph (3), the amount specified in Part 1";
- (c) by deleting the words "Part III" in sub-paragraph (1)(c) and substituting the words "Part 2"; and

(d) by deleting sub-paragraph (2).

Deletion and substitution of paragraph 4

4. Paragraph 4 of the principal Order is deleted and the following paragraph substituted therefor:

"Time of payment

4.—(1) Each amount of the waterborne tax mentioned in paragraph 3 is payable monthly, and the owner or occupier of the premises must pay such amount within such period as may be specified in the monthly bill for that amount of the waterborne tax.

(2) Despite sub-paragraph (1), the owner or occupier of any premises may be required to pay an amount of the waterborne tax mentioned in paragraph 3 more than once in any month if the owner or occupier of the premises terminates his or her agreement with the Board for the supply of water to the premises, and water has been supplied or made available to the premises since the end of the period to which the most recent monthly bill relates.".

Deletion and substitution of Schedule

5. The Schedule to the principal Order is deleted and the following Schedule substituted therefor:

"THE SCHEDULE

Paragraph 3

AMOUNT OF WATERBORNE TAX

PART 1

WATER SUPPLIED TO PREMISES BY BOARD

First column

Second column

Type of premises

1.

Amount of waterborne tax

- Domestic premises (a) Where the water supplied in a month does not exceed
 - month does not exceed 40 cubic metres, \$0.78 per cubic metre.

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- (b) Where the water supplied in a month exceeds 40 cubic metres, the aggregate of
 - (i) \$0.78 per cubic metre for the first 40 cubic metres of water supplied; and
 - (ii) \$1.02 per cubic metre for the amount of water supplied in excess of 40 cubic metres.

2. Non-domestic premises \$0.78 per cubic metre.

PART 2

USED WATER DISCHARGED FROM PREMISES THAT DID NOT ORIGINATE AS WATER SUPPLIED TO PREMISES BY BOARD BUT IS LEACHATE

	First column	Second column
	Type of premises	Amount of waterborne tax
1.	Domestic premises	(a) Where the used water discharged in a month does not exceed 40 cubic metres, \$0.78 per cubic metre.
		 (b) Where the used water discharged in a month exceeds 40 cubic metres, the aggregate of —
		(i) \$0.78 per cubic metre for the first 40 cubic metres of used water discharged; and
		 (ii) \$1.02 per cubic metre for the amount of used water discharged in excess of 40 cubic metres.
2.	Non-domestic premises	\$0.78 per cubic metre.

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Transitional provisions

6.—(1) Despite paragraphs 3 and 5, the sum total of the specified amounts of the waterborne tax for the relevant billing month payable by the owner or occupier of any premises is calculated by —

- (*a*) applying the amounts in the Schedule to the principal Order as in force immediately before 1 July 2017 to calculate the specified amounts of the waterborne tax that is attributable to water that is supplied, or fairly or reasonably estimated to have been supplied in the days in June 2017; and
- (*b*) applying the amounts in the Schedule to the principal Order as in force on 1 July 2017 to calculate the specified amounts of the waterborne tax that is attributable to water that is supplied, or fairly or reasonably estimated to have been supplied in the days in July 2017.
- (2) In this paragraph
 - "relevant billing month", in relation to any premises, means the period of a month that comprises days in June 2017 and July 2017, and in respect of which a bill for the specified amounts of the waterborne tax is rendered by the Board;

"specified amounts of the waterborne tax" ---

- (*a*) in relation to the part of the relevant billing month comprising days in June 2017, means Parts I and II of the Schedule to the principal Order as in force immediately before 1 July 2017; and
- (*b*) in relation to the part of the relevant billing month comprising days in July 2017, means Part 1 of the Schedule to the principal Order as in force immediately on 1 July 2017.

Made on 15 June 2017.

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