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Title 10—DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division 60—Safe Drinking Water Commission Chapter 16—Drinking Water Fees

10 CSR 60-16.010 Levy and Collection of the Missouri Primacy Fee

PURPOSE: This rule levies and sets the amount of the Missouri primacy fee and describes the method of collection and delinquent payment. The fees established in sections 640.100.5(2) and (3), RSMo, are effective through December 31, 2021. The fee structure in this rule becomes effective on January 1, 2022.

(1) This rule applies only to community water systems.

(2) This rule levies and imposes the Missouri primacy fee authorized by 640.100.5(2) and(3), RSMo. Nothing in this rule in any way affects the obligation of a customer to pay the Missouri primacy fee.

(A) The annual Missouri primacy fee per customer service connection for unmetered customers and customers with meters not greater than one inch (1") in size shall be based upon the number of service connections in the water system serving that customer as of September 1 of each annual fee period as follows:

11–10,000 connections	\$5.28
10,001-50,000 connections	\$4.80
50,001-100,000 connections	\$4.20
Greater than 100,000 connections	\$3.48

(B) The annual Missouri primacy fee per service connection for unmetered customers and customers with meters not greater than one inch (1") in size for community water systems with ten (10) or fewer connections shall be fifty dollars (\$50) divided by the number of connections in the water system.

(C) The annual primacy fee for customers having meters greater than one inch (>1"), but less than or equal to two inches $(\leq 2")$ in size, shall be twenty-one dollars (\$21); for customers with meters greater than two inches (>2"), but less than or equal to four inches $(\leq 4")$ in size, shall be one hundred and two dollars (\$102); and for customers with meters greater than four inches (>4") in size shall be one hundred ninety-eight dollars (\$198).

(D) Customers served by multiple connections shall pay an annual primacy fee based on the rates listed in this section for each connection, except that no single facility served by multiple connections shall pay a total of more than five hundred dollars (\$500) per year.

(3) Fee Period and Collection.

(A) The annual fee period is September 1 through August 31 of each calendar year, unless an alternate schedule has been approved by the department.

(B) If any community water system seeks to change its collection period for the next collection year, it shall submit an alternate fee-period schedule in writing to the department by January 1, identifying whether the fees will be collected monthly, quarterly, or annually. The system's new schedule shall be effective upon the department's approval.

(4) Remitting Fees to the State. A community water system shall be responsible for remitting to the department the number of active connections and amount collected from its customers no later than sixty (60) days following the end of the annual fee period for systems on an annual collection schedule or within sixty (60) days following the end of each fee-period fiscal quarter if the system is on a monthly or quarterly collection schedule. Fee-period fiscal quarters end on November 30, February 28, May 31, and August 31.

(5) Failure of the Public Water System to Collect or Remit the Fees to the State.

(A) If the fees collected are not remitted as required in section (4), interest shall accrue on the entire amount from the original date payment was due, at a rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until payment is remitted.

(B) The department may grant an extension of time not to exceed two (2) months, to remit the fees, or may waive interest on fees collected.

(C) In addition to the interest assessed, the department may take action in accordance with section 640.130, RSMo for failure to collect or remit the fees in a timely manner.

(6) Regular Rate Collection Practices Authorized. A water supply shall use all customary and regular rate collection practices when a customer fails to pay the primacy fee by the due date of the bill upon which the fee appears.

(7) Record Retention. Records documenting the collection of fees from customers shall be preserved by the water system for a period of at least three (3) years unless otherwise authorized by the department and be made available for inspection by the appropriate authority at all times during business hours. AUTHORITY: section 640.100, RSMo 2016.* Emergency rule filed Dec. 14, 1992, effective Dec. 24, 1992, expired April 22, 1993. Original rule filed Dec. 14, 1992, effective Aug. 9, 1993. Amended: Filed April 13, 2018, effective Dec. 30, 2018. ** Amended: Filed July 10, 2020, effective Jan. 1, 2022.

*Original authority: 640.100, RSMo 1939, amended 1978, 1981, 1982, 1988, 1989, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2002, 2006, 2012, 2014.

**Pursuant to Executive Order 21-07, 10 CSR 60-16.010, subsections (5)(A)-(5)(C) was suspended from April 19, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

10 CSR 60-16.020 Laboratory Certification Fee

PURPOSE: This rule establishes fees for certification of laboratories that conduct chemical and bacteriological testing of drinking water.

(1) Laboratories seeking certification for chemical testing of drinking water shall pay the following fees as applicable:

In-State Laboratory Audit Fee	\$2,500			
once every	three- (3-)			
year certific	ation cycle			
Three- (3-) year Certification Fee				
Organic Chemicals	\$2,700			
Inorganic Chemicals	\$1,500			

(2) Laboratories, except those owned by a political subdivision as defined by section 70.210, RSMo, seeking certification for bacteriological testing of drinking water shall pay the following fees as applicable beginning January 1, 2022:

In-state Laboratory Audit Fee	\$500	
once every three- (3-)		
year certificatio	year certification cycle	
Three- (3-) year Certification Fee	\$500	

AUTHORITY: section 640.100, RSMo 2016.* Original rule filed Dec. 14, 1992, effective Aug. 9, 1993. Amended: Filed April 13, 2018, effective Dec. 30, 2018. Amended: Filed July 10, 2020, effective Jan. 1, 2022.

*Original authority: 640.100, RSMo 1939, amended 1978, 1981, 1982, 1988, 1989, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2002, 2006, 2012, 2014.

10 CSR 60-16.030 Laboratory Services and Program Administration Fees

PURPOSE: This rule levies and sets the amount of the annual laboratory services and program administration fees and describes the method of remitting the fee to the department. The fees established in section 640.100.3, RSMo, are effective through December 31, 2021. The fee structure in this rule becomes effective on January 1, 2022.

(1) This rule applies to all public water systems except those owned by a political subdivision as defined by section 70.210, RSMo.

(2) This rule establishes the laboratory services and program administration fees authorized by section 640.100.3, RSMo, at the following amounts:

(A) The annual fee for a transient noncommunity water system is one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

(B) Annual fees for all secondary public water systems and for public water systems, except transient noncommunity water systems, that use groundwater, including groundwater under the direct influence of surface water—

	Laboratory Services
	and Program
Number of Service	Administration
Connections	Fees
Less than 7,600	\$300
7,600 or more	\$500

(C) The annual fee for public water systems, except transient noncommunity water systems, that use surface water, including systems using both surface water and groundwater, is seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750).

(3) Remission of Fees to the State.

(A) All systems listed in the public water system inventory as of January 1 of each year shall remit the annual laboratory services and program administration fees for that calendar year by February 28 of the same year.

(B) Failure to remit the fees will result in the following actions by the department:

1. Department of Natural Resources and Department of Health and Senior Services laboratory services may be terminated for that water system for that calendar year;

2. Interest shall accrue on the entire amount from the original date payment was due at a rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until payment is remitted;

3. The department may take action in accordance with section 640.130, RSMo, and may revoke the system's permit to dispense water to the public; and

4. The department may grant an extension of time, not to exceed two (2) months, to remit the fees or may waive interest on fees.

AUTHORITY: section 640.100, RSMo 2016.* Original rule filed April 14, 1994, effective *Nov.* 30, 1994. *Amended: Filed April* 13, 2018, effective Dec. 30, 2018. ** *Amended: Filed July* 10, 2020, effective Jan. 1, 2022.

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**Pursuant to Executive Order 21-07, 10 CSR 60-16.030, subsection (4) (B) was suspended from April 19, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

10 CSR 60-16.040 Operator Certification Fees

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the drinking water operator certification fee structure for activities under 10 CSR 60. The proposed rule was developed by a drinking water stakeholder group.

(1) All applications for drinking water operator certification must meet the requirements of 10 CSR 60-14.020. The following fees shall be assessed for drinking water operator certification beginning January 1, 2022:

(A) The application fee for the certification examination is fifty dollars (\$50). Each retake of the exam is fifty dollars (\$50);

(B) The application fee for certification by reciprocity is seventy-five dollars (\$75);

(C) The fee to renew each certificate is sixty dollars (\$60). Certificates must be renewed every three (3) years; and

(D) A late fee of thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$37.50) per month, up to a total of seventy-five dollars (\$75), is assessed for any certificate renewed after the expiration date.

(2) All certification and examination fees submitted are nonrefundable and nontransferable.

AUTHORITY: section 640.100, RSMo 2016.* Original rule filed July 10, 2020, effective Jan. 1, 2022.

*Original authority: 640.100, RSMo 1939, amended 1978, 1981, 1982, 1988, 1989, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2002, 2006, 2012, 2014.