

November 1, 2018

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Ms. Jackie Coles, Manager  
Borough of Munhall  
1900 West Street S. #4  
Munhall, PA. 15120

**RE: RATE RESOLUTION- 2019 BUDGET**

**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL**

Arletta Scott Williams  
*Executive Director*

Dear Ms. Coles:

Arthur M. Tamilia, Esq.  
*Director  
Environmental Compliance*

A four-year ALCOSAN rate structure was approved by the Board of Directors at its public meeting on November 16, 2017. This rate structure is designed to enable ratepayers and our municipal customers to strategically plan for future expenses. The increases for the second, third and fourth year, effective for water used beginning January 1 of each year, will be 7% for 2019, 2020 and 2021.

William H. Inks, CPA  
*Director  
Finance & Administration*

Effective January 1, 2019, the wastewater treatment charge will increase by 52 cents, from \$7.42 to \$7.94 for each thousand gallons used and the customer service charge will increase by \$1.09, from \$15.60 to \$16.69 per bill issued. The average customer, who uses 12,000 gallons of water per quarter, will pay \$7.33 more for a three-month service period, increasing their quarterly charge from \$104.64 to \$111.97. The rates for effluent surcharges, commercial disposals and auxiliary meters will remain the same.

Jan M. Oliver  
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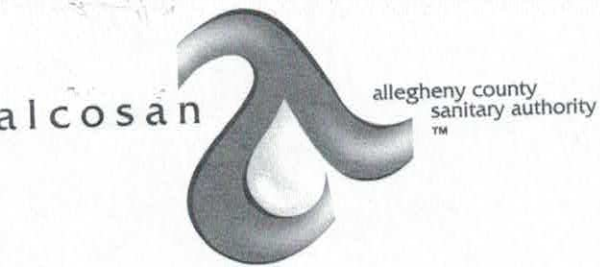
Jeanne K. Clark  
*Director  
Governmental Affairs*

Having chosen the alternate method of billing, as provided in the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority sewage agreement, your municipality has agreed to pay ALCOSAN sewage charges for the properties located within your municipality.

Joseph Vallarian  
*Director  
Communications*

The agreement requires the municipality to provide, in its annual budget, funds equal to at least 120% of the amount ALCOSAN estimates will become due within such year. For the 2019 calendar year, the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority estimates the requirement for your municipality to be \$2,048,914.60, which at 120% is \$2,458,697.52.

The Allegheny County Sanitary Authority hereby requests that your municipality take timely and appropriate action to collect or obtain during 2019, by any lawful means, the sum of at least \$2,458,697.52. This money shall be deposited in a restricted "Sewage Agency Fund" which is to be used for the purpose of meeting the municipality's wastewater collection system requirements.



We recommend that you communicate these increases to your customers by the actual cash amount of the increase; studies show that using percentages confuses the average customer and creates a perception that the rate increase is actually bigger than it is. Please see the enclosed press release for sample language. We are also including the fact sheet for ALCOSAN's Clean Water Assistance Fund, which helps low-income homeowners reduce their bills.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the estimated budget for 2019, please contact Dan Thornton at 412-734-8368 or [daniel.thornton@alcosan.org](mailto:daniel.thornton@alcosan.org).

Sincerely,

**ALLEGHENY COUNTY SANITARY AUTHORITY**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arletta Scott Williams".

Arletta Scott Williams  
Executive Director

Enclosure