

**ORDINANCE NO. 07-040**

**CALCULATION OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES**

**THE COUNTY OF NEW CASTLE HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**Section 1.** Pursuant to Section 38.02.503 County Council adopts the following sewer unit charges for Fiscal Year 2008:

The following unit charges shall be effective other than for certain contract users:

\$3.65711/1000 gals. flow rate	(q)
\$0.29664/lb. BOD	(b)
\$0.40162/lb. SS	(s)

The rates for certain contract users shall be as follows:

\$2.38390/1000 gals. flow rate	(q)
\$0.29664/lb. BOD	(b)
\$0.40162/lb. SS	(s)

All contract users shall be charged on the basis of their respective agreements.

**Section 2.** This ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2007.

Adopted by County Council  
of New Castle County on:



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President of County Council  
of New Castle County

Approved on:



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County Executive  
New Castle County

**SYNOPSIS:** This ordinance establishes sewer service charges effective July 1, 2007, for fiscal year 2008.

**FISCAL NOTE:**

This ordinance proposes the adoption of the fiscal 2008 sewer user rates which, in conjunction with other related sources of revenue, are estimated to yield sufficient revenue to balance the fiscal 2008 sewer fund budget.

If adopted, this ordinance would establish a fiscal 2008 composite (flow \$3.65711 + (BOD \$.29664 X 1.2510 (flow factor) = \$.37110) + (SS \$.40162 X 1.5429 (flow factor) = \$.61966)) residential flow rate of \$4.64787 per 1,000 billable gallons. This composite rate represents no increase over the FY2007 composite rate.

The rates contained in this ordinance would, if adopted, be applied to all user classes. A comparison of those billings follows:

	<u>Fiscal 2008</u>		<u>Difference</u>		<u>Fiscal 2007</u>	
	No. of Accts.	Gross Billing	No. of Accts.	Gross Billing	No. of Accts.	Gross Billing
Residential	112,120	\$25,425,592	887	(\$57,847)	111,233	\$25,483,439
Industrial	21	8,548,438	1	119,019	20	8,429,419
Commercial	2,938	9,997,318	(12)	346,135	2,950	9,651,183
Apartments	215	6,950,152	(1)	266,947	216	6,683,205
Contract	<u>5</u>	<u>4,203,764</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(67,310)</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4,271,074</u>
<b>Gross Billing</b>	<b><u>115,299</u></b>	<b>\$55,125,264</b>	<b><u>875</u></b>	<b>\$606,944</b>	<b><u>114,424</u></b>	<b>54,518,320</b>
Allow for Delinquent		(1,929,384)		(\$21,243)		(1,908,141)
		<b><u>\$53,195,880</u></b>		<b><u>\$585,701</u></b>		<b><u>\$52,610,179</u></b>

In summary, revenue from user charges are estimated to increase \$585,701 when compared to fiscal year 2007 budgeted user charges. This increase results primarily from additional residential accounts and consumption increases within commercial and apartment sewer users.

