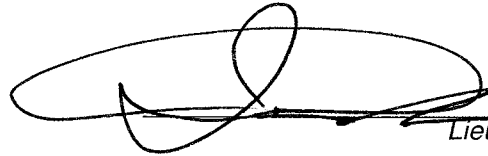


**PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
**ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL**

Order in Council No.


**032**, Approved and Ordered **FEB - 1 2007**

  
Lieutenant Governor

**Executive Council Chambers, Victoria**

On the recommendation of the undersigned, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, orders that effective six months after the date on which it is deposited with the registrar of regulations,

- (a) the Drinking Water Protection Regulation, B.C. Reg. 200/2003, is amended as set out in the attached Appendix 1, and
- (b) the Health Act Fees Regulation, B.C. Reg. 274/92, is amended as set out in the attached Appendix 2.

  
Minister of Health

  
Presiding Member of the Executive Council

*(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)*

**Authority under which Order is made:**

Act and section: Drinking Water Protection Act, S.B.C. 2001, c. 9, s. 48; Health Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 179, s. 8

Other (specify): oic 508/2003; oic 1243/92

## APPENDIX 1

**1** *Section 1 of the Drinking Water Protection Regulation, B.C. Reg. 200/2003, is amended by adding the following definitions:*

“**connection**” means the line from the water main to a dwelling, campsite or premises;

“**decal**” means an adhesive label that is issued and affixed to an operating permit at the time fees under this regulation are paid or remitted;

“**fiscal year**” means the period from April 1 in one year to March 31 in the next year; .

**2** *Section 7 is repealed and the following substituted:*

**Operating permits and fees**

- 7** (1) A drinking water officer may issue an operating permit to a water supplier after receiving
- (a) an application for an operating permit in a form satisfactory to the drinking water officer, and
  - (b) the fee set out in Schedule C.
- (2) An operating permit in force on March 31 of a year expires on March 31 of that year.
- (3) Despite subsection (2), an operating permit issued for a period of less than 12 months expires on the date specified on the approved application.
- (4) A drinking water officer may renew an operating permit if
- (a) the operating permit was in force anytime during the 12 months prior to the renewal in respect of the same water supply system, and
  - (b) the fee set out in Schedule C is paid before the effective date of the renewal.
- (5) Approval is given for the remission of a fee paid under this section if
- (a) the water supplier applies for the remission, and
  - (b) the fee is for a month of the fiscal year for which the water supplier was not required to have the operating permit to which the fee applies.
- (6) A valid and subsisting operating permit that was issued under section 4 of the Safe Drinking Water Regulation, B.C. Reg. 230/92, before the repeal of that regulation is deemed to be an operating permit issued under this regulation and remains valid until its expiration date unless earlier surrendered, suspended or cancelled.

**Decals**

- 7.1** (1) If, in accordance with section 7, an operating permit is issued or renewed, a drinking water officer must issue a decal to the water supplier to cover the period for which the fee is paid.

- (2) If an operating permit does not bear a decal or if that decal does not cover the current date, then the operating permit is not valid.

**Permits and decals not transferable**

- 7.2 An operating permit or a decal is not transferable.

**Temporary facilities**

- 7.3 Despite sections 7 and 7.1, if an operating permit is issued for no more than 14 days during a fiscal year, then
  - (a) approval is given for a reduction in the applicable fee so that the water supplier is not required to pay the fee set out in the Schedule, and
  - (b) the operating permit is not required to bear a decal to be valid.

**3** *The following schedule is added:*

**SCHEDULE C**  
**OPERATING PERMIT FEES**

*(Section 7)*

- 1 The operating permit fee for a fiscal year is:
- |                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| (a) for 1 - 14 connections           | no charge |
| (b) for 15 - 300 connections         | \$150     |
| (c) for 301 - 10 000 connections     | \$250     |
| (d) for 10 001 - 20 000 connections  | \$500     |
| (e) for more than 20 000 connections | \$1 000   |
- 2 If an operating permit is issued for a period of less than 12 months, the fee is calculated using the following formula:

$$fee = \frac{n \times z}{12}$$

where

n is the number of calendar months of the fiscal year in which the permit will apply, and

z is the applicable fee under section 1.

## APPENDIX 2

- 1** *Section 1 of the Health Act Fees Regulation, B.C. Reg. 274/92, is amended*
  - (a) by repealing the definitions of “connection”, “domestic purposes”, “water purveyor” and “waterworks system”, and*
  - (b) by repealing paragraph (c) of the definition of “operating permit”.*
- 2** *Sections 3 (1) and (4), 4 (1) and 6 (a) are amended by striking out “operator, proprietor or water purveyor” wherever they appear and substituting “operator or proprietor”.*
- 3** *Sections 3 (1) (b) and 6 are amended by striking out “swimming pool, restaurant or waterworks system” and substituting “swimming pool or restaurant”.*
- 4** *Section 1 (1) (c) of the Schedule is repealed.*