

**Presented and Adopted: May 1, 2025**

**SUBJECT: Approval to Publish Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for  
Proposed Amended Miscellaneous Fees & Charges**

**#25-21  
RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY**

The District members of the Board of Directors (“Board”) of the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (“the Authority” or “DC Water”) at the Board meeting held on May 1, 2025 upon consideration of a non-joint use matter, decided by a vote of six (6) in favor and none (0) opposed, to approve the following actions with respect to the proposed amended Miscellaneous Fees & Charges.

**WHEREAS**, sections 203(11) of the Water and Sewer Authority Establishment and Department of Public Works Reorganization Act of 1996, effective April 18, 1996 (D.C. Law 11-111, § 203(11); D.C. Code § 34-2202.03(11) (the “Enabling Legislation”) authorizes DC Water to establish, adjust and collect charges for services, facilities, or commodities furnished or supplied by DC Water; and

**WHEREAS**, DC Water establishes rates, fees and charges in accordance with its Rate Setting Policy (Board Resolution #11-10), including the recovery of current costs to provide service; and

**WHEREAS**, the DC Retail Water and Sewer Rates Committee met on April 22, 2025 to consider the recommendations from the General Manager regarding proposed amended miscellaneous fees and charges to be effective October 1, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Retail Rates Committee recommended that the Board approve the publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the proposed amended miscellaneous fees and charges for public comment; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the Board to take final action on the proposed amended miscellaneous fees and charges at the conclusion of the public notification and comment period; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Board directs the General Manager to publish a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the District of Columbia Register to amend the miscellaneous fees and charges as provided in Attachment A.

2. The General Manager is authorized to take all steps necessary in his judgment and as otherwise required, to initiate the public comment process and shall provide notice of the proposed fee and charge adjustments in the manner provided the District of Columbia's Administrative Procedures.

This resolution is effective immediately.

*Michelle Rhodd*  
Secretary to the Board of Directors

**Attachment A**  
**Proposed Amendments to**  
**Miscellaneous Fees & Charges**

**Chapter 1, WATER SUPPLY, of Title 21 DCMR, WATER AND SANITATION, Section 112, FEES, Subsections 112.1 through 112.6 are amended and Subsection 116 FOIA Fees is added as follows, effective October 1, 2025:**

## **112 FEES**

**Subsection 112.1 is amended to read as follows, effective October 1, 2025:**

112.1 Fees for installation, inspection and removal/abandonment of water and sewer tap or connection, inspect meter setter or vault, inspect sewer main, manhole, catch basin, and meter relocation shall be as follows:

(a) Inspection Fees:

<b>Inspection Fees</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Inspect Pointing Up Sewer Taps	\$970
Inspect Insertion of Y-Branch	\$345
Inspect Installation of Standard Cleanout	\$345
Inspect Sewer Tap Removal	\$345
Meter Setter Inspection	\$265
Meter Setter Re-Inspection	\$265
Meter Vault Inspection	\$1,000
Meter Vault Re-Inspection	\$1,000
Inspect pre-cast conc. vault for new meters	\$4,000
Inspect installation of fire hydrant relocation	\$3,000
Inspect installation of new fire hydrant	\$3,000
Inspect new 8", 10", 12" water main	\$7,000 + \$12/LF
Inspect new 16", 20" water main	\$10,000 + \$12/LF
Inspect new $\geq 24$ " water main	\$14,000 + \$12/LF
Inspect new 10"–15" diameter sewer main	\$7,000 + \$12/LF
Inspect new 18"–30" diameter sewer main	\$10,000 + \$12/LF
Inspect new 36"–48" diameter sewer main	\$20,000 + \$12/LF
Inspect new $\geq 54$ " diameter sewer main	\$25,000 + \$12/LF
Inspect new sewer manhole/Catch Basin 0–10 vertical feet (vft)	\$5,000
Inspect new sewer manhole/Catch Basin $>10 \leq 20$ vft	\$8,000
Inspect new sewer manhole/Catch Basin $>20 \leq 30$ vft	\$15,000
Inspect new sewer manhole/Catch Basin $>30$ vft	\$20,000
Inspect sewer CCTV $\leq 24$ " public sewer main	\$1,300 + \$13/LF
Inspect sewer CCTV 24"–36" public sewer main	\$1,500 + \$15/LF
Inspect sewer CCTV 42"–48" public sewer main	\$1,700 + \$17/LF
Inspect sewer CCTV 54"–72" public sewer main	\$2,000 + \$20/LF
Inspect sewer CCTV $> 72$ " public sewer main	\$4,000 + \$40/LF
Inspect sewer CCTV and relining $\leq 24$ " public sewer	\$2,300 + \$23/LF

<b>Inspection Fees</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Inspect sewer CCTV and relining 24"–36" public sewer	\$2,900 + \$29/LF
Inspect sewer CCTV and relining 42"–48" public sewer	\$3,400 + \$34/LF
Inspect sewer CCTV and relining 54"–72" public sewer	\$4,000 + \$40/LF
Inspect sewer CCTV and relining > 72" public sewer	\$8,000 + \$80/LF

(b) Tap Inspection and Abandonment Fees:

<b>Tap Insertion and Abandonment</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Tap Insertion – 1" diameter	\$485
Tap Insertion – 1-1/2" diameter	\$565
Tap Insertion – 2" diameter	\$610
Water Connection 3" and Larger	\$2,650
Water Tap Removal/Abandonment – 2" diameter or less	\$455
Water Tap Removal/Abandonment – greater than 2" diameter	\$905

**Subsection 112.2 is amended to read as follows, effective October 1, 2025:**

112.2 Fees for fire hydrants flow tests; fire hydrant meter rentals; rentals of fire hydrant meters with backflow preventer; and for the installation and removal of water bubblers shall be as follows:

<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Fire Hydrant Flow Test (Field Test)	\$340
Fire Hydrant Flow Test (Computer Model)	\$340
Fire Hydrant Flow Test (Recent Test Record Available)	\$145
Fire Hydrant Use – Water and Sewer Rate	Usage-Based, see 21 DCMR Chapter 41
Letter in Lieu of Hydrant Flow Test	\$265
Fire Hydrant Permit Fee	\$80
Private Fire Hydrant Flush	\$100
3" Fire Hydrant Meter Deposit	\$2,000 per rental
3" Fire Hydrant Meter Rental <15 days	\$225
3" Fire Hydrant Meter Rental ≥15 days	\$15 per day
3" Fire Hydrant Meter w/Backflow Preventer Deposit	\$3,000 per rental
3" Fire Hydrant Meter w/Backflow Preventer Rental <15 days	\$300 per rental
3" Fire Hydrant Meter w/Backflow Preventer Rental ≥15 days	\$20 per day
5/8" Fire Hydrant Meter w/Backflow Preventer Deposit	\$1,000 per rental
5/8" Fire Hydrant Meter w/Backflow Preventer Rental <15 days	\$225 per rental
5/8" Fire Hydrant Meter w/Backflow Preventer Rental ≥15 days	\$15 per day

**Subsection 112.4 is amended to read as follows, effective October 1, 2025:**

112.4 Retail customer fees and charges; legal and copying fees; and event and equipment fees shall be as follows:

(a) Retail customer fees and charges shall be as follows:

<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Customer Bad Check Fee	\$35
Declined Credit Card Fee	\$45
Customer Penalty Late Payment Fee	10.00% after 30 days
Additional Penalty Late Payment Fee	1%/month after 60 days, compounded monthly
New Customer Account Initiation Fee	\$60
Disconnection Fee	\$60
Reconnection Fee – Residential Customer	\$55
Reconnection Fee – Multi-Family and Non-Residential Customer	\$110
Unauthorized Water or Sewer Connection:	
First Offense	\$400
Second Offense	\$800
Each Subsequent Offense	\$1,200
Notice of Follow Up (NOFOL) Compliance Fee	\$505
Broken Bypass Seal	\$790
Second Water Audit within 24 months	\$145
Manual Meter Reading Fee Residential <sup>1</sup>	\$25 per month/meter
Manual Meter Reading Fee <sup>1</sup>	
Multi-Family and Non-Residential	
5/8”-2”	\$110 per month/meter
3”-4”	\$265 per month/meter
6” & greater	\$530 per month/meter

<sup>1</sup> The Manual Meter Read Fee is charged, after notice, when the meter reads are not transmitting and 1) customer does not provide access to the premises for DC Water to read the meter, 2) customer does not provide access to the premises for DC Water to maintain the meter or meter transmission system, or 3) customer fails to perform corrective action necessary for DC Water to install or maintain the meter or meter transmission system.

(b) Legal and copying fees shall be as follows:

<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Witness Fee	\$40 + Travel Expenses
DC Water Staff Expert Witness Fee	Hour(s) x (Base Salary + Fringe) \$/hr. + Travel Expenses
Document Duplication Fee	
Standard Letter and Legal Page	\$0.75 per sheet

(c) Event and Equipment fees shall be as follows:

Size of Event (Attendees)	Number of DC Water Personnel Per Event <sup>1</sup>	Cost per Event at \$100/hour per person
100 – 2,000	2	\$200/hour
2,000 – 5,000	4	\$400/hour
5,000 or more	6	\$600/hour

<sup>1</sup> Refers to the minimum number of personnel required for the event. Upon review of the event specifications, DC Water shall determine the appropriate number of personnel based on the assessed need.

Event Equipment	Cost per Unit per Event <sup>1</sup>
Misting Tent	\$625/day
Cooling Station	\$480/day
DC Water Mascot	\$85/hour

**Subsection 112.5 is amended to read as follows, effective October 1, 2025:**

112.5 Effective October 1, 2025, Fees for engineering reviews both standard and expedited, excessive submission, and as-builts shall be as follows:

(a) **Small Project and Hybrid Project Plan Review Fees** shall be as provided in the table below for Small Projects, which are defined to include:

- (1) Small Residential project subject to 12-B DCMR Residential Code Supplement with water service and meter two inches (2”) or less;
- (2) Small Non-Residential project subject to 12-A DCMR Building Code Supplement with water service and meter inches (2”) or less;
- (3) Small Hybrid means a Small Residential or Small Non-Residential project with a domestic water service and meter two inches (2”) or less and a fire service greater than two inches (2”); or
- (4) Projects requiring only a sewer connection six inches (6”) or less in diameter or only a storm connection less than fifteen inches (15”) in diameter.

Fee Name	Standard Fee	Expedited Review Fee	Standard Review Time* (Business Days)	Expedited Review Time* (Business Days)
Small Project Base Plan - 1 <sup>st</sup> Submission Administrative Fee – All Small Projects	\$215	N/A	N/A	N/A

<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Standard Fee</b>	<b>Expedited Review Fee</b>	<b>Standard Review Time* (Business Days)</b>	<b>Expedited Review Time* (Business Days)</b>
Small Project Rejected Plan Resubmission Administrative Fee - All Small Projects	\$110	N/A	N/A	N/A
Small Project Sheet and Shore - All Small Projects	\$1,325	\$2,650	14	7
Small Residential Project per meter connection	\$1,590	\$3,180	14	7
Small Non-Residential Project per meter connection	\$5,300	\$10,600	21	11
Small Hybrid Project per meter connection	\$7,155	\$14,310	21	11
Small Residential Approved Plan Revision (APR) per metered connection	\$530	\$1,060	14	7
Small Non-Residential or Hybrid APR per metered connection	\$1,540	\$3,075	21	11
Small Residential, Small Non-Residential or Small Hybrid Raze Permit Review and Utility Release Letter - No Abandonment	\$425	\$850	14	7
Small Project Raze Permit Review and Utility Release Letter - With Abandonments	\$1,060	\$2,120	14	7
Small Non-Residential Temporary Water Connections	\$2,120	\$4,240	21	11
Small Project Sanitary or Combined Sewer connection 6" or less	\$1,060	\$2,120		
Small Project Storm sewer connection only less than 15"	\$1,060	\$2,120		

**\*Review times are estimated; Actual time may vary.**

- (b) **Large Project Plan Review Fees** for projects having a domestic water service and fire service greater than two inches (2") in diameter shall be subject to fees provided in the table below as follows:



<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Standard Fee</b>	<b>Expedited Review Fee</b>	<b>Standard Review Time* (Business Days)</b>	<b>Expedited Review Time* (Business Days)</b>
Large Project Base Plan - 1 <sup>st</sup> Submission Administrative Fee	\$215	N/A	N/A	N/A
Large Project Rejected Plan Resubmission Administrative Fee	\$110	N/A	N/A	N/A
Large Project Plan Review Fee per meter:	\$15,900	\$ 31,800	30	15
Large Project Foundation to Grade	\$1,860	\$3,710	21	11
Large Project Approved Plan Revision (APR)	\$2,120	\$4,240	14	7
Large Project Sheet piling and Shoring	\$13,250	\$26,500	30	15
Large Project Temporary Water Connections	\$5,300	\$10,600	21	11
Large Fire Service Only Greater than 2" - with no interior renovations	\$5,300	\$10,600	21	11
Large Sanitary or Combined Connection Only 8" or larger	\$5,300	\$10,600	21	11
Large Storm Connection Only 15" or larger	\$5,300	\$10,600	21	11
Large Water Meter Size Reduction Plan (with no other work)	\$5,300	\$10,600	21	11
Large Project Raze Only Utility Release Letter - No Abandonments	\$530	\$1,060	14	7
Large Project Raze Only Utility Release Letter - With Abandonments	\$1,590	\$3,180	14	7
Utility Infrastructure Only Review Fee (0 to 1,000 linear feet of water and/or sewer mains)	\$10,600	\$21,200	30	15
Utility Infrastructure Only Review Fee (1,000 – 2,500 linear feet of water and/or sewer mains)	\$15,900	\$31,800	30	15

<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Standard Fee</b>	<b>Expedited Review Fee</b>	<b>Standard Review Time* (Business Days)</b>	<b>Expedited Review Time* (Business Days)</b>
Utility Infrastructure Only Review Fee (greater than 2,500 linear feet of water and/or sewer mains)	\$19,080	\$38,160	30	15

**\*Review times are estimated; Actual time may vary.**

(c) **Miscellaneous Fees** shall be as provided in the table below as follows:

<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Standard Fee</b>	<b>Expedited Review Fee</b>	<b>Standard Review Time* (Business Days)</b>	<b>Expedited Review Time* (Business Days)</b>
Small Residential Plan Excessive Submission Review (5 <sup>th</sup> review or more) per meter connection	\$530	N/A	Based on No. of metered connections	Based on No. of metered connections
1 to 5 metered connections			14	7
6 to 20 metered connections			21	11
21 to 50 metered connections			40	20
greater than 50 metered connections			50	25
Small Non-Residential and Small Hybrid Plan Excessive Submission Review (5 <sup>th</sup> review or more)	\$795	N/A	Based on No. of metered connections	Based on No. of metered connections
1-3 metered connections			21	11
4 or more metered connections			30	15
Large Plan Excessive Submission Review (5 <sup>th</sup> review or more)	\$3,710	\$7,420		
Request for Information (RFI)	\$190	\$375	20	10
Request for As-Built Drawings	\$215	\$425	20	10
Water and Sewer Availability Letter	\$795	\$1,380		
Processing of Standard Easement and Covenant (Initial Document)	\$2,120	\$4,240	14	7

<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Standard Fee</b>	<b>Expedited Review Fee</b>	<b>Standard Review Time* (Business Days)</b>	<b>Expedited Review Time* (Business Days)</b>
Processing of Non-Standard Easement and Covenant (Initial Document)	\$9,010	\$18,020	21	11
One Day Plan Design and Review and Approval (Velocity Sign-Off Program)	\$26,500	N/A	1	N/A
Large Meter Relocation Fee	\$5,000	N/A		N/A
Small Meter Relocation Fee (Non-Residential/Multi-Family)	\$2,500	N/A		N/A
Small Meter Relocation Fee (Residential)	\$1,500	N/A		N/A
Reconfiguration of Fire System (adding small Fire Split, 2" or less) (Non-Residential/Multi-Family)	\$2,500	N/A		N/A
Reconfiguration of Fire System (adding small Fire Split, 2" or less) (Residential)	\$1,500	N/A		N/A
ProjectDox Signoff on Category I & II and Swimming Pool	\$200	N/A		N/A
Non-DC Water Zone of Influence (ZOI) Sheet piling and Shoring (not within the influence of DC Water's assets)	\$500	N/A		N/A
ProjectDox Foundation to Grade	\$500	N/A		N/A
Non-Department of Transportation (DDOT) BCIV Permit (non-DDOT BCIV) (Any project that is not DDOT related)	\$500	N/A		N/A
BCIV Permit Erosion Sediment Control (BCIV ESC)	\$500	N/A		N/A

**\*Review times are estimated; Actual time may vary.**

**<sup>1</sup> ZOI = Zone of Influence**

**<sup>2</sup> BCIV = Building Civil Permit**

**<sup>3</sup> ESC = Erosion Sediment Control**

(d) **DC Water “Velocity” Sign-Off Program** (One Day Final Plan Review and Approval) - a District Department of Buildings (DOB) permit applicant may request to participate in the DC Water “Velocity” program in accordance with the following requirements:

- (1) Participation in DC Water’s “Velocity” Sign-Off Program only applies to plans resubmitted after DC Water’s initial standard or expedited plan review.
- (2) Applicant shall pay the minimum DC Water “Velocity” Sign-Off Program fee of \$25,000 in addition to the applicable plan review fee and any other applicable fees.
- (3) DC Water shall determine if the plans are eligible (complete and suitable) to participate in the program and that staff are available to perform the review requested.
- (4) Upon acceptance into the DC Water “Velocity” Sign-Off Program, DC Water shall schedule a meeting with the Applicant to review and approve the plans, not less than one (1) week after the request to participate in the program.
- (5) DC Water shall schedule one four-hour plan review and approval meeting, during which the Applicant shall present the revised plans and responses.
- (6) If approved, the Applicant shall pay all required fees (e.g., SAF, inspection review, deposits, etc.) and DC Water shall issue the Water and Sewer Approval Certificate and approve the plans in ProjectDox.
- (7) If DC Water issues additional comments or requirements, the applicant shall resubmit the revised plans within two (2) business days, and if all comments are acceptable, the plans shall be approved within one business day.

(e) **Existing/Proposed As-Built Fee** shall be as provided in the table below as follows:

Fee Name	Fee
Small Residential	\$265 (each bldg.)
Small Non-Residential	\$265 (each bldg.)
Small Hybrid	\$265 (each bldg.)
Large Project	\$795 (Each Connection – water or sewer)
Installation of New Water or Sewer Main (20 to 100 feet)	\$2,650
Each additional 200 feet of Water Main	\$2,120
Each additional 400 feet of Sewer Main	\$2,120
Installation of Water Main - larger than 24" in diameter	Determined on a per project basis
Installation of Sewer Main - larger than 60" in diameter	Determined on a per project basis

Subsection 112.6 is amended to read as follows, effective October 1, 2025:

**112.6 Waste Hauler Permit and Disposal Fees; Pretreatment Industrial User Permit and Sampling Fees; High Strength Waste Fees; and FOG Facility fees shall be as follows:**

<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Waste Hauler Discharge Annual Permit Fee per Vehicle	\$55
<b>Waste Hauling Disposal Fees</b>	
High strength grease trap waste	\$0.091 per gallon
High strength septage waste	\$0.091 per gallon
Domestic strength waste	\$0.004 per gallon
Low strength waste	\$0.004 per gallon
<b>Industrial User Permit Fees</b>	
Permit Initial Fee	\$3,040
Permit Renewal Fee	\$1,015
<b>Industrial User Annual Compliance Fees</b>	
Significant or Non-Significant Categorical Industrial User	
1 Outfall	\$3,490
2 or more Outfalls	\$4,835
Significant Non-Categorical Industrial User Fees	
1 Outfall	\$3,490
2 or more Outfalls	\$4,835
Non-Significant Non-Categorical User	
1 Outfall	\$790
2 or more Outfalls	\$1,015
<b>Sampling and Analysis Fees</b>	
PFAS	
1 <sup>st</sup> Sample	\$895/sample
Each Additional Sample	\$420/sample
<b>High Strength Waste Fees</b>	
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	\$0.151 per pound
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	\$0.350 per pound
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN) or Total Nitrogen (TN)	\$1.526 per pound
Total Phosphorus (TP)	\$9.815 per pound
<b>Fats, Oil and Grease (FOG) Facility Monthly Fee</b>	\$24.50 per month

**Subsection 112.12(a) is amended to read as follows, effective October 1, 2025:**

**112.12 Cross-Connection/ Back Flow Prevention Fees and Turn-Off Charges**

- (a) The Cross-Connection/ Back Flow Prevention Fees and Turn-Off Charges shall be as follows:

<b>Fee Name</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Cross-Connection/Back Flow Prevention Monthly Fee per Assembly	\$6.20
Cross-Connection - Water Service Disconnection - 5/8" to 2"	\$230
Cross-Connection - Water Service Disconnection - 3" to 5"	\$455
Cross-Connection - Water Service Disconnection - 6" and larger	\$1,015

**Chapter 1, WATER SUPPLY, of Title 21 DCMR, WATER AND SANITATION, Section 112, FEES, is amended to add a new Subsection 112.14 Freedom of Information Act Request Response Processing Fees, effective October 1, 2025**

**112.14 Freedom of Information Act Request Response Processing Fees**

- (a) DC Water shall charge the following FOIA Fees in response to a Freedom Information Act (FOIA) request for documents pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act of 1976, effective March 25, 1977, D.C. Law 1-96, as amended:

<b>FOIA Fee Name</b>	<b>Fee</b>
FOIA Document Search Fee	Hour(s) x Staff Base Salary/hr.
FOIA Document Review & Redaction Fee	Hour(s) x Staff Base Salary/hr.
FOIA Document Duplication Fee	
Standard Letter and Legal Page	\$0.75 per sheet
Electronic Conversion Fee	Hour(s) x Staff Base Salary/hr.

- (b) The Staff Salary shall be the current Base Salary for the staff performing the search, review or electronic conversion and applied at a hourly rate to the nearest penny.
- (c) The FOIA Document Search Fee, FOIA Document Review & Redaction Fee, and FOIA Document Electronic Conversion Fee shall be calculated by multiplying the number of hours by the hourly rate of the staff person performing that task.
- (d) The FOIA Document Search Fee shall be charged even if the requested records cannot be located after a thorough, good-faith search.
- (e) FOIA Fees may be waived or reduced if DC Water determines the request is in the public interest because furnishing the information can be considered as primarily benefiting the general public.

- (f) A FOIA requester seeking a FOIA Fee waiver or reduction under section 112.14(d), shall provide a statement in the FOIA request explaining how furnishing the requested record(s) will primarily benefit the general public. The explanation shall address how the requested records will likely contribute significantly to public understanding of the operation or activities of DC Water.
- (g) DC Water may request an advanced payment in full of the FOIA Fees if:
  - (1) The requester previously failed to pay the FOIA Fees; or
  - (2) DC Water determines the estimated FOIA Fees will exceed \$250.
- (h) With respect to any FOIA request for which payment of FOIA Fees in advance is required, DC Water shall consider such request to have been withdrawn and shall administratively close such request if the requester has not paid the required FOIA Fee within sixty (60) days of when the requester is informed of the fee.
- (i) FOIA fees shall be paid in full prior to DC Water providing access or issuance of the requested documents.
- (j) A receipt of FOIA Fees paid shall be given only upon request. No refund of the FOIA Fees shall be made for services rendered.
- (k) If a request is administratively closed, a requester must submit a new FOIA request to obtain the requested records.
- (l) If the FOIA requester withdraws their request or it is administratively closed, the requester shall be responsible for payment of the FOIA Fees incurred up to the date of withdrawal.
- (m) In accordance with applicable law:
  - (1) Fees shall be limited to reasonable standard charges for document search, duplication, and review and redaction when records are requested for commercial use;
  - (2) Fees shall be limited to reasonable standard charges for document duplication when records are not sought for commercial use and the request is made by an educational or non-commercial scientific institution for scholarly or scientific research or a representative of the news media;

- (3) For any request for records not described in paragraphs (1) or (2) of this subsection, fees shall be limited to reasonable standard charges for document search and duplication; and
- (4) Only the direct costs of search, duplication, or review and redaction may be recovered.

All persons desiring to comment on this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking should submit comments in writing not later than June 16, 2025. Comments should be submitted to Michelle Rhodd, Secretary to the Board, District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority, 1385 Canal Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003 or by email to [Board.Secretary@dcwater.com](mailto:Board.Secretary@dcwater.com). Copies of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking may be obtained from DC Water at the same address or by contacting Ms. Rhodd at (202) 787-2331.