ORDINANCE NO. 27

AN ORDINANCE OF THE UKIAH VALLEY SANITATION DISTRICT AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 26 PERTAINING TO SEWER CONNECTION FEES

The Board of Directors of the Ukiah Valley Sanitation District ordains as follows:

- 1. Section 1 of Ordinance No. 26 dated January 9, 2006, is hereby amended to read:
 - (I) The following charges are hereby established for the connection of the plumbing of any building or structure which discharges to the sanitary sewer system of the Ukiah Valley Sanitation District ("District") and said charges are separate from any other charges presently levied or which may be levied in the future:

A. Residential Schedule:

Ten thousand nine hundred eleven dollars (\$10,911.00) for equivalent sewer service unit (ESSU) per dwelling unit connected to the wastewater system based on the number of bedrooms according to the following schedule:

1. One bedroom	\$9,820.00	0.9 ESSU
2. Two bedroom	10,911.00	1.0 ESSU
3. Three bedroom	12,002.00	1.1 ESSU
4. For each additional bedroom	1,091.00	0.1 ESSU

B. Commercial and Industrial Schedule:

- 1. Ten thousand nine hundred eleven dollars (\$10,911.00) per ESSU for commercial and industrial connections (reduced 50% for hotels and motels); the ESSU assignment shall be determined by the District based upon biochemical oxygen demand removal requirements, other treatment requirements, and gallonage of flow, and any other sewage characteristics as the District deems appropriate. These determinations may be delegated to the Public Works Director of the City of Ukiah ("City") as long as the Participation Agreement between the City and the District remains in effect.
- 2. If a discharger disagrees with the fee established by the District under subsection B.1 above, he, she or it may file a written appeal with the Clerk of the Board within ten (10) days of notification of the charge. The appeal will then be heard by the Board of Directors at its next regularly scheduled meeting, occurring not sooner than 10 days following the receipt of the written request for appeal. At that time, the Board shall determine whether or not the charge is justified.

C. Future Amendments to Fees.

The District Board of Directors may amend the connection fees, as set forth in subsections A and B, above, by resolution without further amendment of the District ordinances.

- (II) The District Executive Director shall maintain a list of all the connections with a tabulated total of the ESSUs that have been allowed to connect to the District's sewer collection system for the purpose of determining the applicable ESSU increment."
- (III) The term "equivalent sewer service unit (ESSU)" shall have the same meaning as the term "Sewer Service Unit" as that term is defined in Section 1.12 of Ordinance No. 12."
- (IV) The term "bedroom" as used herein shall include any lawful room under the current California Building Code that can be used as a bedroom, no matter how designated on the building plans; provided however, that a residential dwelling unit may have one living room, dining room, garage, kitchen, and family room that shall not be considered a bedroom. Bathrooms shall not be considered as bedrooms.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Ukiah Valley Sanitation District, County of Mendocino, State of California, on this 25th day of October, 2006, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors Crane, Wagenet, and Wattenburger

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

WHEREUPON, the Chairman declared the Ordinance passed and adopted and SO ORDERED.

JHM R. WATTENBURGER, Chairman-Ukiah Valley Sanitation District

ATTEST:

KRISTI FURMAN Clerk of the Board

Secretary, Ukiah Valley Sanitation District

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JEANINE B. NADEL, COUNTY COUNSEL: