



VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE

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Effective November, 2008

To: All Landlords and Tenants of Residential Property in the Village of Riverdale

RE: Water Service Terminations

The Village is the provider of water service to properties within the Village of Riverdale. The Village purchases its water from the City of Chicago and the City of Chicago expects payment from the Village for every gallon the Village provides to its residents. For this reason, the Village does not tolerate water users who do not pay their water bills. To ensure the water bills are paid on time and also that water is not supplied to those who do not pay the Village for the water, the Village has an active policy of turning off water service where there is no payment.

The Village has experienced non-payment of water bills from multi-family dwellings where the water bill for all rental units metered through a master meter. (as opposed to individual meters for each rental unit). In almost all cases where there is a master meter for multiple users, the Landlord is the party responsible for payment of the water bills to the Village. Where the landlord is responsible for the payment of the water and the Landlord does not pay the Village for the water, the Village will shut off the water to the entire building. In such cases, the Tenants have rights as described in The Rental Property Utility Service Act (765ILCS/0.01). Both Landlord and Tenants should read this law and understand their rights and obligations under the law. You may obtain a copy from the Village Hall.

Finally, the Village has become aware that there are some occupants of dwellings who remained in a dwelling after the village has shut off the water. **If the water is shut off to a building, the dwelling is no longer habitable and must be vacated and remain vacant until the water bill is paid and the water service is restored.** Anyone remaining in a dwelling after the water is shut off will be ticketed, fined and prosecuted. This is being done for the health and welfare of all people involved.

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WATER TERMINATION FOR EMERGENCY ONLY!

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: _____

WATER ACCOUNT: _____

DATE: _____

I hereby authorize the Village of Riverdale Water Department to terminate water service to the above mentioned property whether or not property is occupied due to emergency circumstances.

It is my duty to contact the Village of Riverdale to request for water service to be restored. I release the Village of Riverdale of any liability due to any water damage as a result of this action.

REASON FOR EMERGENCY: _____

CUSTOMER SIGNATURE: _____

CLERK SIGNATURE: _____

SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE: _____