# What Happens if I Change Banks?

If you wish to change the account used for your P.U.P.P.S payment you must submit a completed form to the RM and a VOID cheque for your new account. This must be received before the 15th of the month in order to be applied to a payment in the same month.

## What Happens if I Sell?

When a property is sold you must withdraw from the program by informing the RM in writing at least two weeks in advance of the next P.U.P.P.S payment due date. If you move your final bill WILL NOT be paid by automatic withdrawal. It is your responsibility to supply the RM with a forwarding address and to pay the final account balance directly to the RM. It is also your responsibility to provide the RM with the possession date so a final bill can be calculated.

### Withdrawal?

If you withdraw from P.U.P.P.S or your plan is cancelled, all unpaid utilities become due and payable and are subject to penalties in accordance with our policies.



## **Need for More Information?**

Please visit our website: www.weststpaul.com Or call: 204-338-0306 9:00am – 4:30pm, Monday to Friday

Applications with VOID cheques and requests for changes can be mailed to:

The RM of West St. Paul 3550 Main St. West St. Paul, MB R4A 5A3

You can also utilize our onsite after hours deposit box located next to the front door.



P.U.P.P.S

Pre-Authorized Utility Payment Plan Service



#### What is P.U.P.P.S?

The Pre-Authorized Utility
Payment Plan Service (P.U.P.P.S.)
is a payment plan which allows utility rate
payers to pay their quarterly utility bills through
direct deposit from their financial institution.

#### Can I use P.U.P.P.S?

In order to sign up for the P.U.P.P.S program the following is required:

- Utility account must be current
- You must have an account with a bank, credit union or trust company
- Your name must be on the utility account
- A completed application form must be submitted to the RM.

# Why Should I use the Program?

P.U.P.P.S provides ease and convenience of not having to mail in cheques or wait in line ups on due dates to make a payment. It also provides the ability to travel without the worry of having to pre-pay your bill ahead of time. You also avoid the possibility of missed payments and corresponding late payment penalties.

#### **How Does P.U.P.P.S Work?**

You will continue to receive your quarterly utility bills in the mail. Your bill will indicate the amount due and that it is a *pre-authorized payment*. The payment withdrawn from your account will be for the full amount shown on your bill. Withdrawals are made on the last day of each due date month unless the last day falls on a weekend or holiday. In those instances, withdrawals will be made on the next business day following the last day of the due date month. Please refer to the Utility Schedule below for billing and due dates.

Please note it is the responsibility of the payee to ensure funds are available for withdrawal of the full amount due each quarter.

# 1st Quarter JAN 1 - MARCH 31 2nd Quarter APRIL 1 - JUNE 30 3rd Quarter JULY 1 - SEPT 30 4th Quarter OCT 1 - DEC 31 Due: April 30 Due: July 31 Due: October 31

## Do I Have to Apply Each Year?

No. P.U.P.P.S is renewed automatically. You may withdraw by giving written notice at least two weeks before the next scheduled payment (by the 15th of the month).



If you withdraw from P.U.P.P.S. or your plan is cancelled, any outstanding charges become due

and payable and subject to penalties.

# What happens if I miss payments?

If payments are missed three or more times, the RM of West St. Paul may remove you from the P.U.P.P.S program and request full payment of any outstanding utilities.

If funds are not available on the last day of the month, there will be a Service Charge of \$30.00 applied to the utility account and a replacement payment must be made prior to the next quarterly billing as it will not be automatically withdrawn.

\*IMPORTANT\* If there is an overdue balance on your account on December 31st, the amount owing will be transferred to your taxes.