

## **CYPRESS COUNTY**

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### **UTILITY EQUALIZED PAYMENT PLAN (EPP)**

Utility Account:			Previous Year's Total:	Previous Year's Total:	
Туре с	of Service:	Personal Business			
Name(s):			Monthly Paym	Monthly Payment:	
Address:			S	Start Month:	
Hamlet:			Telephone:		
Financ	cial Institutio	on (FI):			
FI Acco	ount Numbe	er:	FI Transit Number:		
				(Branch - 5 digits; FI - 3 digits,	
		ATTACH VOID CHEQUE OR A	UTHORIZED BANK ACCOUNT IN	FORMATION	
1.		nts under the Utility Equalized Payme ted above:	ent Plan, I authorize Cypress County ar	nd its Financial Institution to debit my	
	i. Fo	or utilities payable to Cypress County	on the above noted utility account		
		the amount of the monthly payme dicated above of the Utility Equalized	ents shown above, on the 20 <sup>th</sup> day of	beginning on the date each month	
	iii. V	Which amount may increase/ decrease	e pursuant to the provisions of the Utili	ty Equalized Payment Plan	
2.	A specimen cheque for my account marked "VOID" is attached to the Application/Pre-Authorized Debit Form.				
3.	This Authorized Debit and Utility Equalized Payment Plan may be cancelled upon written notice by me, not less than 14 days prior to the next due date.				
4.		I acknowledge that in the event any payment is not honoured, my participation in the Utility Equalized Payment Plan mabe cancelled.			
5.	In the event of a sale of the above noted property, I will notify Cypress County in writing not less than 14 days prior to the next due date, to arrange cancellation of my payment.				
6.	In the event I change my bank account, I will notify Cypress County in writing and complete a new Application/Pre-Authorization Debit Form not less than 14 days prior to the next due date and provide a current cheque marked "VOID".				
7.	All persons, whose signatures are required to sign on the bank account listed above, have signed this agreement below.				
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Date		Signature	Signatu	re	

# Cypress County Utility Equalized Payment Plan (EPP) Sign up to pay your utility bills in monthly installments

#### WHAT IS EPP?

EPP is the Utility Equalized Payment Plan by which utility customers pay their utilities in equal monthly installments by pre-authorized transfer of funds from their bank account.

#### WHY SHOULD YOU USE EPP?

EPP breaks the utility payments into 12 monthly payments to make budgeting easier. Regular payment is assured. If you are on vacation, out of town on business/vacation, or sick, your payment will be made on time. Convenient and reliable method of ensuring that your utility bill is paid.

#### WHO CAN USE EPP?

All utility customers are eligible providing the utility account is paid in full before going on the plan.

#### **HOW DOES EPP WORK?**

Payments may start any month on the 20th day and every month thereafter. Monthly payments for March - January or April - February (depending on your utility billing schedule) shall be equal to 1/12 the utility total from the preceding year. February or March is the "settle-up" month. You will receive a letter showing the "settle-up" amount. This amount must be paid by the due date. Cheques will be issued for credit balances.

#### **HOW DO YOU APPLY FOR EPP?**

To apply for EPP, complete and sign the Preauthorized Debit Application form (see reverse), attach a void cheque and return to Cypress County's office.

#### WITHDRAWAL FOR CANCELLATION

You may withdraw from EPP by giving written notice not less than 2 weeks before the next payment date. If any monthly payments are missed Cypress County has the option to cancel the EPP agreement. If you withdraw, or Cypress County cancels your EPP agreement, all unpaid utilities become due and payable and are subject to shut offs in accordance with utility bylaws. Any payments that are dishonoured by the bank are subject to a \$20.00 service charge, which will be applied to your account.

There is no cost for the service. Interest is not paid on any credit accumulated on your account and no accounts are shut off unless the "settle-up" month remains outstanding.

Once you are on EPP you will be automatically renewed on the plan each year.