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Notice to the Public

Various Rates and Fees Reduced Effective Monday 2/11/2013 (Phase One)

The American Samoa Power Authority wishes to advise our customers that various rates and fees have been reduced to provide immediate relief to ASPA Customers. One of the reduced fees that has gone into effect is the After Hour Vending Fee assessed to purchase prepayment meter tokens at the ASPA Tafuna Call Center during non-business hours. The fee has dropped from \$5 to \$2 per account.

The ASPA has also initiated a Pause Fee, which will assist existing customers that go off island for a short time period and would like to put a hold on their utility service charges without having to go through the permit process; paying for new installation fees to reinstate their electric and water services. Instead of paying the new installation fees to restore service, which is \$150 for electric and the prior fee of \$300 for water, the Pause Fee of \$50 for electric and \$50 for water, make it more convenient and affordable for existing customers to reinstall service.

The fees for a new water installation for 5/8" or 3/4" connection have been reduced as well from \$300 down to \$150 for a residential water meter. This will provide immediate relief for new water installations and to encourage customers to hook up to the ASPA water system. Land Use Permits and the Department of Public Works are still required as part of the process for a new water installation.

The ASPA will also pass on the \$0.08/gallon discount off the Maximum Allowable Price (MAP) for diesel, the savings ASPA receives from being a fuel supplier, which will be deducted off the fuel surcharge. The ASPA customers deserve some relief in the cost of utilities, albeit a small discount, but long overdue. This reduction will take affect on the new ASPA bill coming out this Thursday February 21, 2013.

As ASPA continues to review its operational costs, more potential reductions for rates and other fees will be announced in the near future. We appreciate the continued support and patience from our customers as we improve efficiencies of our operations and pass on savings.

Other reduced fees are included in Chart 1 below.

Fee reduction for Utility Services effective 2/11/2013

Water Fee Reductions	Before	After
New Residential Water Meter Installation, for 5/8" & 3/4"	\$300	\$150
New Non-Residential Water Meter Installation, for 5/8" & 3/4"	\$350	\$250
Water Meter Replacement, for 5/8" & 3/4"	\$150*	\$50*
Water Meter Replacement, for 2"	\$250*	actual
Illegal Connection or Tampering Penalty for Residential	\$1,500	\$500
Illegal Connection or Tampering Penalty for Non-Residential	\$2,500	\$1,000
Tampering Reconnection Fee	\$500	\$200
Water Pause Fee(must have existing service)	\$300**	\$50
*Reflects fee plus actual costs		
**New Installation costs		

Electric Fee Reductions	Before	After
Flood Light Rental (two lights for 1 week)	\$250	\$120#
Debit Meter conversion from Watthour Meter	\$170	\$95
After Hour Vending Fee	\$5	\$2
Electric Pause Fee (must have existing service)	\$150**	\$50
#Reflects install/removal fee plus \$20 daily usage		
**New Installation costs		