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**Jamestown BPU Adopts 2016 District Heating and Chilling Budget:
*Rate Decrease for Customers***

The Jamestown Board of Public Utilities (BPU) announced great news for 2016 District Heating and Chilling customers.

The BPU today adopted the 2016 District Heating and Chilling Division budget with an actual *4.8% base rate decrease* in the coming year. The new rate actually takes effect on bills mailed after December 1, 2015.

BPU General Manager David Leathers explained that Division goals for 2016 are anticipated to be met with the reduction in the base rate.

Heat sales in 2016 are expected to be \$1.47 Million and chiller sales to be \$63,000. Operating expenses for 2016 are budgeted to be \$1.4 million which is \$20K or 1.5% more than 2015 projections.

The 2016 capital budget includes \$100,000 for the purchase of water circulation pumps, \$50,000 to replace boiler control software, \$20,000 for various distribution line installations and \$50,000 for meter replacements and upgrades.