

DECISION

Dispute Codes: MNR

This hearing dealt with an application by the landlords for a monetary order for unpaid rent and utilities. Despite having been served with the application for dispute resolution and notice of hearing by registered mail on February 19, 2009, the tenants did not participate in the conference call hearing.

On July 27, 2005, the landlords collected a security deposit from the tenants in the amount of \$375.00. The tenancy began on August 1, 2005. A monthly rent in the amount of \$650.00 was payable in advance on the first day of each month. The monthly rent did not include utility charges. Therefore, while the gas account was in the landlords' name, the tenants were to reimburse the landlords for the costs of gas usage. On February 1, 2009, the tenants moved out of the rental unit.

The landlords submitted a statement of account with respect to the tenants' payment history of the rent and utility charges. The landlords pointed out that the last entry on this statement pertaining to Terasen Gas for an amount of \$111.21 was added in by mistake and should be deducted from the total amount. The landlords also said that in March, 2009, the tenants made a payment of \$150.00 towards the outstanding rent and utility charges and therefore this amount should also be deducted from the total amount. The landlords are therefore seeking recovery of an accumulative total of 1) outstanding rent in the amount of \$3567.37 and 2) outstanding utility charges of \$174.26 for a total amount of \$3741.63.

Based on the landlords' testimony and the supporting documentary evidence, I find that the landlords have established a claim for \$3567.37 in unpaid rent and \$174.26 in unpaid utility charges. I grant the landlord an order under section 67

for the balance due of \$3741.63. This order may be filed in the Small Claims Court and enforced as an order of that Court.