The First Nations Tax Commission, pursuant to the *First Nations*Fiscal Management Act, hereby approves the following law made by the Sts'ailes in the Province of British Columbia,

Sts'ailes Annual Rates Law, 2016

Dated at Kamloops, British Columbia this 10th day of August, 2016.

On behalf of the First Nations Tax Commission

C.T. (Manny) Jules – Chief Commissioner First Nations Tax Commission





## STS'AILES ANNUAL RATES LAW, 2016

#### WHEREAS:

- A. Pursuant to section 5 of the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act*, the council of a first nation may make laws respecting taxation for local purposes of reserve lands, interests in reserve lands or rights to occupy, possess or use reserve lands, including laws to establish tax rates and apply them to the assessed value of lands, interests and rights in the reserve;
- B. The council of the First Nation has made a property assessment law and a property taxation law; and
- C. Subsection 10(1) of the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act* requires a first nation that has made a property taxation law to, at least once each year, make a law setting the rate of tax to be applied to the assessed value of each class of lands, interests or rights in the reserve;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Sts'ailes duly enacts as follows:

- 1. This Law may be cited as the Sts'ailes Annual Rates Law, 2016.
- 2. In this Law:
- "Act" means the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act*, S.C. 2005, c. 9, and the regulations made under that Act;
- "Assessment Law" means the Chehalis Indian Band Property Assessment Law, 2009;
- "First Nation" means the Sts'ailes, being a band named in the schedule to the Act;
- "property taxation law" means a law enacted by the First Nation under paragraph 5(1)(a) of the Act;
- "taxable property" means property in a reserve that is subject to taxation under a property taxation law; and
- "Taxation Law" means the Chehalis Indian Band Property Taxation Law, 2009.
- 3. Taxes levied pursuant to the Taxation Law for the taxation year 2016 shall be determined by imposing the rates set out in the Schedule upon the assessed value of all taxable property in each property class.
- **4.** Notwithstanding section 3, where the amount of the tax levied on taxable property in a taxation year is less than one hundred dollars (\$ 100.00), the taxable property shall be taxed at one hundred dollars (\$ 100.00) for the taxation year.
- 5. Except where otherwise defined, words and expressions used in this Law have the meanings given to them in the Assessment Law and the Taxation Law.
- 6. Where a provision in this Law is expressed in the present tense, the provision applies to the circumstances as they arise.
- 7. This Law must be construed as being remedial and must be given such fair, large and liberal construction and interpretation as best ensures the attainment of its objectives.
  - 8. The Schedule attached to this Law forms part of and is an integral part of this Law.
- 9. This Law comes into force and effect on the day after it is approved by the First Nations Tax Commission.

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	ENACTED by	Council on the 26th day of July, 20	16, at Agassiz, in
the Province of British Columbia.  A quorum of Council consists of	five	(5) members of Council.	
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# SCHEDULE TAX RATES

PROPERTY CLASS	RATE PER \$1,000 of assessed Value in:	
	Improvements	Land
Class 1 – Residential	7.1	0133
Class 2 – Utilities	73.6	7823
Class 5 - Light Industry	21.0	0927
Class 6 - Business and Other	17.2	4980
Class 7 - Forest Land	17.7	6907
Class 8 - Recreational Property/Non-Profit Organization	11.7	1961
Class 9 - Farm	26.1	8676