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Erie County Water Authority

To Whom It May Concern:

We are Cheektowaga residents who rent an apartment in a 2 family dwelling.

My landlord charges us a water bill. He calls every 3 months and tells us how much we owe. We never see a bill and wonder how he knows how much we owe and how much the tenant upstairs owes.

In a 2 family home, is there more than one meter?

I am hoping since the law allows me to see a utility bill I am required to pay, and never see the bill, that I can ask you the information.

If possible, if you could call my cell [REDACTED] with the last 4 water bills for 25 Strasbourg Dr Cheektowaga 14227. We live downstairs.

Thank you

Connie Gabamonte

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*or mail them to:*

*Connie Gabamonte  
25 Strasbourg Dr.  
Lower  
Cheektowaga NY  
14227*

Yes, tenants in New York have the right to request and review their utility bills. According to the New York State Attorney General, tenants have the right to receive a copy of their lease agreement and a receipt for any rent payment made. Additionally, tenants have the right to request a copy of their utility bills and review them.

If you are a tenant and the utility bill is in your landlord's name, you cannot directly collect the bill from the utility company. However, you can request a copy of the bill from your landlord and offer to pay the amount due directly to the utility company. If your landlord refuses to provide you with a copy of the bill, you can send a written request to the utility company asking for the amount due<sup>1</sup>.