This book comprises two parts that attempt to explain the political economy of water pricing reforms. The three sections of part 1 provide the theoretical and empirical foundation to the approach of this book. Section A of part 1 provides a theoretical framework that emphasizes the link between property regimes and pricing regimes, address the power and influence between and within water resource management organizations, and demonstrate the importance of asymmetric information for the implementation of efficient pricing reform. Section B of part 1 demonstrates the applications of various political economy concepts in the evaluation of water pricing reforms. Main issues include the need to design the reform to account for the existing institutional and political setup, and the advantage of either having a broad agenda for the reform or combining two reforms that address similar issues of economic efficiency. Section C of part 1 addresses various political economy issues of urban water pricing reforms. This section also addresses the equity and social preferences of various segments of society affected by the tariff structure. Part 2 is a collection of five country case studies that individually and collectively attempt to support the framework and empirical evidence in part 1.
A water tariff (often called water rate in the United States and Canada) is a price assigned to water supplied by a public utility through a piped network to its customers. The term is also often applied to wastewater tariffs. Water and wastewater tariffs are not charged for water itself, but to recover the costs of water treatment, water storage, transporting it to customers, collecting and treating wastewater, as well as billing and collection. Prices paid for water itself are different from water tariffs. They exist in a few countries and are called water abstraction charges or fees. 

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