



New natural gas rates approved in 2023

Changes begin with the enclosed bill

In November 2021, CenterPoint Energy (the Company) asked the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) to change its rates for utility distribution service. The Company requested to increase rates by about 6.5 percent and annual revenues by about \$67.1 million.

MPUC has approved new rates

A settlement agreement between all parties was filed with the MPUC by the Company in March 2022. The MPUC approved the settlement on September 23, 2022, resulting in an annual rate increase of 4.2 percent or about \$48.5 million in annual revenues. Under the final MPUC order, the monthly Basic Charge for residential customers will remain at \$9.50 and the per therm Delivery Charge will increase from \$0.25357 to \$0.28998. The new rates are not associated with the commodity price of natural gas.

Rates vary by customer

Rate changes will affect individual monthly bills differently depending on natural gas use and customer class. The average residential customer's bill (use of approximately 890 therms per year) will increase about \$2.70 per month, or \$32.40 per year.

Customer bills contain three parts: Basic Charge, Delivery Charge and Cost of Gas. The Basic Charge and Delivery Charge recovers the cost of providing utility distribution service to our customers. This is 25 to 45 percent of the bill. The Cost of Gas, which changes monthly, makes up about 55 to 75 percent of a typical residential customer bill and is passed through directly to customers without mark-up.

Customer Class (usage in therms)	Monthly Basic Charges	
	Current	New
Residential	\$9.50	\$9.50
Commercial/Industrial		
Up to 1,500/year	\$15.00	\$15.00
1,500 to 5,000/year	\$21.00	\$26.00
5,000 or more/year	\$55.00	\$65.00
Small Volume Dual Fuel Sales Service		
Up to 120,000/year	\$60.00	\$80.00
120,000 or more/year	\$95.00	\$125.00
Large Volume Dual Fuel Sales Service	\$1,050.00	\$1,250.00
Large General Firm Sales Service	\$1,050.00	\$1,250.00

Customer Class (usage in therms)	Delivery Charges (therms)	
	Current	New
Residential	\$0.25375	\$0.28998
Commercial/Industrial		
Up to 1,500/year	\$0.26725	\$0.38897
1,500 to 5,000/year	\$0.20694	\$0.24691
5,000 or more/year	\$0.17674	\$0.19325
Small Volume Dual Fuel Sales Service		
Up to 120,000/year	\$0.14669	\$0.17577
120,000 or more/year	\$0.13613	\$0.16382
Large Volume Dual Fuel Sales Service	\$0.08615	\$0.10008
Large General Firm Sales Service	\$0.08615	\$0.10008
Demand Charge (per Peak Day)	\$0.48303	\$0.63303

Note: The current and new per therm delivery charges include the per therm charge for the Conservation Improvement Program (CIP) Adjustment Rider (\$0.00905 per therm) that recovers conservation costs not included in base rates.

Customer Class (usage in therms)	Average Monthly (usage in therms)	Average Monthly Bill: Current Rates	Average Monthly Bill: New Rates
Residential	74	\$76	\$78
Commercial/Industrial			
Up to 1,500/year	67	\$69	\$77
1,500 to 5,000/year	255	\$210	\$226
5,000 or more/year	1,440	\$1,096	\$1,130
Small Volume Dual Fuel Sales Service			
Up to 120,000/year	3,971	\$2,310	\$2,445
120,000 or more/year	15,567	\$8,903	\$9,364
Large Volume Dual Fuel Sales Service	42,091	\$23,466	\$24,252
Large General Firm Sales Service	41,602	\$23,776	\$24,331
Demand Charge (per Peak Day)	3,110		

**Figures are rounded to the nearest whole number*



One-time interim rate surcharge

Under state law, CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas was allowed to collect an interim (temporary) rate increase while the MPUC considered our 2021 rate request. The interim increase of \$42.4 million annually took effect on January 1, 2022. The MPUC's final decision in this rate case resulted in a total retail rate increase of \$48.5 million annually. Since the final rate increase is more than the amount collected during the interim rate period, CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas will collect the difference back to September 23, 2022, Commission Order, without interest, on a bill in early 2023. The interim rate surcharge amount will be applied across-the-board to all customer classes and will result in a one-time charge of about \$1.60 for a typical residential customer (based on 70 therm average monthly usage).

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