

# IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PUGET SOUND ENERGY CUSTOMERS ABOUT CHANGES IN ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS RATES

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) recently filed requests with the state Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) to adjust electric and natural gas low income program rates. The requested changes are proposed to be effective on October 1, 2022.

An overall decrease in natural gas rates of 0.04% and an overall increase in electric rates of 1.14% is requested to recover changes in costs for the low income bill assistance program. Based on the proposed rates, a typical residential electric customer using 800 kWh per month would see an average monthly increase of \$1.06 and a typical residential natural gas customer using 64 therms per month would see an average monthly decrease of \$0.03. PSE requested these changes through the existing low income assistance mechanism previously approved by the UTC. The mechanism allows PSE to periodically adjust its electric and natural gas rates to reflect changes in actual sales and costs. The proposed adjustments would be reflected in the Electricity charge listed on the electric statement and in the Delivery charge listed on the natural gas statement.

The proposed overall average changes for electric and natural gas customers are as follows:

## EFFECTS ON TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS:

ELECTRIC SERVICE	Current Bill	Bill Effective Oct. 1, 2022
Basic Charge—One Phase	\$ 7.49	\$ 7.49
Energy—first 600 kWh	\$ 56.79	\$ 57.59
Energy—over 600 kWh	\$ 22.90	\$ 23.16
Total Bill at 800 kWh per month	\$ 87.18	\$ 88.24

NATURAL GAS SERVICE	Current Bill	Bill Effective Oct. 1, 2022
Basic Charge	\$ 11.52	\$ 11.52
Energy—all therms	\$ 64.07	\$ 64.04
Total Bill at 64 therms per month	\$ 75.59	\$ 75.56

ELECTRIC RATE SCHEDULE Type of Service	Current Average	Average Eff. Oct. 1, 2022	
	Rate per kWh	Rate per kWh	Percent Change
Residential—Schedule 7	\$ 0.113950	\$ 0.115285	1.17% increase
Secondary Voltage (50 kW or less)—Schedules 8,24	\$ 0.117532	\$ 0.118838	1.11% increase
Secondary Voltage (over 50 kW to 350 kW)—Schedules 7A, 11, 25	\$ 0.107476	\$ 0.108667	1.11% increase
Secondary Voltage (over 350 kW)—Schedules 12, 26P, 26	\$ 0.100059	\$ 0.101159	1.10% increase
Seasonal Irrigation & Drainage Pumping—Schedule 29	\$ 0.088227	\$ 0.089295	1.21% increase
Primary Voltage General—Schedules 10, 31	\$ 0.098471	\$ 0.099555	1.10% increase
Primary Voltage Irrigation—Schedule 35	\$ 0.068138	\$ 0.068987	1.25% increase
Interruptible Total Electric Schools—Schedule 43	\$ 0.104124	\$ 0.105275	1.11% increase
High Voltage Interruptible—Schedule 46	\$ 0.077507	\$ 0.078357	1.10% increase
High Voltage General—Schedule 49	\$ 0.075929	\$ 0.076762	1.10% increase
Lighting (Area & Street)—Schedules 50–59	\$ 0.264798	\$ 0.267769	1.12% increase
Choice/Retail Wheeling—Schedules 448-459	\$ 0.006133	\$ 0.006191	0.95% increase
Special Contracts	\$ 0.019452	\$ 0.019452	0.00%

NATURAL GAS RATE SCHEDULE Type of Service	Current Average	Average Eff. Oct. 1, 2022	
	Rate per Therm	Rate per Therm	Percent Change
Residential—Schedules 23, 53	\$ 1.17894	\$ 1.17845	0.04% decrease
Commercial & Industrial—Schedule 31	\$ 1.06990	\$ 1.06949	0.04% decrease
Large Volume—Schedule 41	\$ 0.72518	\$ 0.72498	0.03% decrease
Interruptible—Schedule 85	\$ 0.55822	\$ 0.55813	0.02% decrease
Limited Interruptible—Schedule 86	\$ 0.67574	\$ 0.67555	0.03% decrease
Non-exclusive Interruptible—Schedule 87	\$ 0.50925	\$ 0.50922	0.01% decrease
Commercial & Industrial Transportation—Schedule 31T	\$ 0.76050	\$ 0.76009	0.05% decrease
Large Volume Transportation—Schedule 41T	\$ 0.21851	\$ 0.21831	0.09% decrease
Interruptible Transportation—Schedule 85T	\$ 0.11275	\$ 0.11267	0.07% decrease
Limited Interruptible Transportation—Schedule 86T	\$ 0.20359	\$ 0.20340	0.09% decrease
Non-exclusive Interruptible Transportation—Schedule 87T	\$ 0.04986	\$ 0.04985	0.04% decrease
Gas Lighting—Schedule 16	\$ 1.15279	\$ 1.15279	0.00%
Special Contracts	\$ 0.04968	\$ 0.04968	0.00%

Note: The figures above represent averages by rate schedule including the basic charge. Individual customers will see a change that is greater or lesser than what is shown, depending on the amount of their usage. Most electric and all natural gas customers are billed monthly. Some electric customers are billed every other month. During the UTC's consideration of these proposed rates, other rates may change due to pending or previously approved rate filings.

The UTC will review each filing and has the authority to set final rates that may vary from PSE's requests, either higher or lower or structured differently, depending on the results of its review. To comment to the UTC on PSE's requested rate changes: use the online comment form at <http://www.utc.wa.gov/comment>; email [comments@utc.wa.gov](mailto:comments@utc.wa.gov); phone 1-888-333-9882; or write to P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA, 98504-7250. Please include your name, mailing address, the name of the company (PSE), and electric and natural gas docket number(s). If you have questions about the UTC's process, please contact the UTC using one of the above methods. The UTC provides reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities; for accommodations, please email [human\\_resources@utc.wa.gov](mailto:human_resources@utc.wa.gov) or call 1-360-664-1132.

The public is represented by the Public Counsel Section of the Washington Attorney General's office and can be reached by writing to Public Counsel, Assistant Attorney General, 800 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle, WA 98104-3188, or by emailing [utility@atg.wa.gov](mailto:utility@atg.wa.gov). To contact PSE about these proposals: email [customer@pse.com](mailto:customer@pse.com); call 1-888-225-5773 (TTY: 1-800-962-9498); or write to Puget Sound Energy, ATTN: Customer Care, P.O. Box 97034, Bellevue, WA, 98009-9734.