

# IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PUGET SOUND ENERGY CUSTOMERS ABOUT PROPOSED CHANGES IN ELECTRIC RATES

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) recently filed a request with the state Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) to adjust electric rates. The following proposal would increase rates for electric customers an overall average 2.10 percent, effective Dec. 1, 2020.

**Power Cost Adjustment (listed on bill):** PSE has requested to increase electric bills through an existing Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) mechanism which allows utilities to adjust rates, up or down, to reflect fluctuations in the price of electricity. The increase is a true-up of the difference between the actual costs of electricity PSE purchased for its customers as of 2019 and the projected costs. The actual costs were higher than the projected costs.

The proposed changes for residential, commercial and industrial customers with electric services are:

## Effects on Residential Customers

The monthly bill effect of the rate changes for the typical residential electric customer using 900 kWh per month is shown in this chart. Individual customers will see a greater or lesser increase than what is shown, depending on the amount of usage. Most electric customers are billed monthly. Some electric customers are billed every other month.

ELECTRIC SERVICE	Current Bill	Proposed Bill, effective Dec. 1, 2020
Basic Charge – One Phase	\$7.49	\$7.49
Electricity – First 600 kWh	\$53.40	\$54.68
Electricity – Over 600 kWh	\$32.76	\$33.40
Total bill at 900 kWh per month	\$93.65	\$95.57

## Summary of Requested Rate Changes

Electric Schedule	Type of Service	Current Average Rate per kWh	Proposed Average Rate per kWh	Percent Change
7	Residential	\$0.106301	\$0.108435	2.01 increase
24, 8	Secondary Voltage (50 kW or less)	\$0.106933	\$0.109088	2.02 increase
25, 7A, 11	Secondary Voltage (over 50 kW to 350 kW)	\$0.096334	\$0.098557	2.31 increase
26, 12, 26P	Secondary Voltage (over 350 kW)	\$0.089670	\$0.091997	2.60 increase
29	Seasonal Irrigation & Drainage Pumping	\$0.076391	\$0.078239	2.42 increase
31, 10	Primary Voltage General	\$0.088594	\$0.090723	2.40 increase
35	Primary Voltage Irrigation	\$0.058824	\$0.060438	2.75 increase
43	Interruptible Total Electric Schools	\$0.094465	\$0.096170	1.80 increase
46	High Voltage Interruptible	\$0.071055	\$0.072875	2.56 increase
49	High Voltage General	\$0.069969	\$0.071935	2.81 increase
50-59	Lighting (Area & Street)	\$0.252793	\$0.254921	0.84 increase

## Public Comment

The UTC accepts comments on PSE's requested rate changes, online at <http://www.utc.wa.gov/comment>; email [comments@utc.wa.gov](mailto:comments@utc.wa.gov); phone **888-333-9882**; or in writing to P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA, 98504-7250. Please include your name, mailing address, the name of the company (PSE), and a description of the filing. 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 the Washington Office of the 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 this proposal: email [customercare@pse.com](mailto:customercare@pse.com); call **888-225-5773** (TTY: **800-962-9498**); or write to Puget Sound Energy, ATTN: Customer Care, P.O. Box 97034, Bellevue, WA 98009-9734.