Notice Of Request To Change Conservation Rates For Puget Sound Energy Customers

Puget Sound Energy on February 28, 2013 filed requests with the state Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) to adjust electric and natural gas rates to offset the costs of investments made in energy efficiency programs that are made available to customers. The natural gas request is a slight decrease in natural gas rates through the Gas Conservation Program Charge listed on PSE bills is proposed to go into effect on May 1, 2013. The electric conservation request is a request to increase electric rates for certain types of service through the Electric Conservation Program Charge, listed on PSE bills, is requested to become effective on May 1, 2012. If approved by the UTC the cost for electric service, due to the change in the electric conservation request will increase an overall average of 0.241 percent (241 one-thousandths of 1 percent).

An electric residential customer who uses an average of 1,000 kWh per month will see an increase of \$0.28 per month increasing the total monthly electric conservation program charge to \$4.63

The overall average increase for electric customers is as follows:

Schedules/Type of Service	Percent Change
Schedule 7 - Residential Service	0.251% increase
Schedule 24 – Small General Service	0.224% increase
Schedule 25 – Medium General Service	0.312% increase
Schedule 26 – Large General Service	0.435% increase
Schedule 29 – Seasonal Irrigation & Drainage Pumping Service	0.272% increase
Schedule 31 – Primary Voltage General Service	0.223% increase
Schedule 35 – Primary Voltage Irrigation & Drainage Pumping	0.487% increase
Schedule 40 – Large General Service Greater Than 3 aMW	0.478% decrease
Schedule 43 – Primary Voltage Interruptible Schools	0.415% increase
Schedule 46 – High Voltage Interruptible Service	0.231% decrease
Schedule 49 – High Voltage General Service	0.141% decrease
Schedules 50-59 – Outdoor Lighting Service	0.099% increase
Schedules 448-459 – High Voltage Transportation	0.000%

PSE requested this change through the existing Electric Conservation Service Rider mechanism previously approved by the UTC and as a result of changes agreed to in Docket No. UE-100177. The mechanism allows PSE to periodically adjust its electric rates to reflect changes in investments in energy efficiency for customers made by the company.

The UTC has the authority to set final rates that may vary from PSE's request, either higher or lower or structured differently depending on the results of its review.

Comments or questions on proposals:

PSE customers may submit comments to the UTC about this proposal by using the online comment form at http://www.utc.wa.gov/comment; e-mailing to comments@utc.wa.gov; faxing to 360-664-4291; or mailing your comments to the UTC at: P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA, 98504. If you write, include your name and mailing address, the name of the company (PSE), and Docket No. UE-130305. You may also ask questions of the UTC and request that the UTC notify you of the open meeting at which these proposals will be considered by the Commission. The UTC is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the commission at (360) 664-1132 or https://www.utc.wa.gov.

The public, including residential and small business customers, is represented by the Public Counsel Section of the Washington State Attorney General's office. You can reach the Public Counsel Section by writing to Public Counsel, Assistant Attorney General, 800 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle, WA 98104-3188, or by e-mail at utility@atg.wa.gov.

If you have questions or comments for PSE about these proposals, you may submit those questions or comments by mailing, e-mailing or calling PSE at: Puget Sound Energy, ATTN: Customer Service, P.O. Box 90868, Bellevue, WA 98009-0868, by e-mail at customercare@pse.com or by telephone at 1-888-225-5773. Additional information about the electric and natural gas conservation filings is available at www.pse.com.

