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Notice of requested changes to Cascade Natural Gas rates and public hearings.

On March 29, 2024, Cascade filed a general rate case with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC or Commission) requesting a multiyear adjustment to its rates. The Commission has the authority to approve rates that may be higher or lower than Cascade's request. The Commission has up to 11 months to review the filing. Cascade expects this rate case to result in new rates that will be implemented starting March 1, 2025, and again on March 1, 2026.

Cascade has requested the following:

Effective March 1, 2025: An overall 13.18% increase in rates generating an additional \$48,864,251 in revenue. A typical residential customer using 54 therms a month will see an overall average 14.61% increase, or \$11.10 per month; a typical small commercial customer using 277 therms a month will see an overall average 5.06% increase, or \$17.96 per month; and an industrial customer using 2,050 therms a month will see an overall average 5.11% increase, or \$122.37 per month.

Effective March 1, 2026: An overall 3.98% increase in rates generating an additional \$16,703,820 in revenue. A typical residential customer using 54 therms will see an overall average 2.00% increase, or \$1.75 per month; a typical small commercial customer using 277 therms a month will see an overall average 1.59% increase, or \$5.95 per month; and an industrial customer using 2,050 therms a month will see an overall average 1.28% increase, or \$32.33 per month.

Cascade requests rate adjustments for the following reasons:

The main drivers of Cascade's request with the UTC to increase prices are the capital investments Cascade has made in its natural gas distribution system, as well as increased costs to operate and maintain the system.

Public hearing date and time:

You may comment on the requested changes to Cascade's natural gas rates at a virtual public hearing hosted by the UTC at the date and time listed below.

January 2, 2025, at 6 p.m.

- For Zoom: <https://utc-wa-gov.zoom.us/j/87844416465?pwd=BYbLh76VlIEhh4Yuh9hCbAdKiAZ9tT.1>
- To call in: (253) 215-8782
Meeting ID: 878 4441 6465; Password: 153091

If you plan to participate, please call 888-333-9882 at least one day before the hearing to sign in. When you join the hearing via Zoom, please mute your connection using the button with the image of a microphone. If participating via phone, press *6 to mute your phone.

Please note: The Commissioners function as judges in adjudicated cases such as this general rate case and cannot answer questions. This comment hearing is to take comments from the public. If you have questions, please contact commission staff or Cascade Natural Gas with the contact information provided below.

Other ways to comment on the proposed rates

Commission:

Please include your name, mailing address, reference Cascade Natural Gas Corporation, and Docket UG-240008 in your comment. Submit your comment in one of the following ways:

- UTC website: <https://www.utc.wa.gov/consumers/submit-comment>.
- Email: comments@utc.wa.gov
- Phone: 1-888-333-9882
- Write to: UTC P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA. 98504-7250
- In person: 621 Woodland Square Loop SE, Lacey, WA

The UTC is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to participants with disabilities. Contact UTC at 888-333-9882 or email: comments@utc.wa.gov.

Cascade Natural Gas

For additional information, please call the Company at 888-522-1130 or write to: Cascade Natural Gas, Corporation, Attn: Regulatory Affairs, 8113 W. Grandridge Blvd Kennewick, WA 99336-7166

Public Counsel

Residential and small business customers are represented in this case by the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington Office of the Attorney General. Email: utility@atg.wa.gov.

General Information

For additional information about the proposed request or to contact Cascade, please reach us at **888-522-1130** or <https://www.cngc.com/rates-services/rate-cases/>.

Overall proposed monthly rate changes

Rate Schedule	Type of Service	Current Average rate per therm*	Effective March 1, 2025		Effective March 1, 2026	
			Proposed Rate Per Therm	Percentage Change	Proposed Rate Per Therm	Percentage Change
503	Residential	\$1.31490	\$1.42790	14.61%	\$1.43245	2.00%
504	Commercial	\$1.23486	\$1.27443	5.06%	\$1.27605	1.59%
505*	Industrial	\$1.13924	\$1.17943	5.11%	\$1.18057	1.28%
511*	Large Volume	\$1.12253	\$1.15972	4.07%	\$1.16805	1.31%
570*	Interruptible	\$1.02050	\$1.05837	4.22%	\$1.06379	0.88%
663*	Transportation	\$0.03779	\$0.04284	33.50%	\$0.04312	4.97%

* Due to tiered rate structures based on individual customer consumption, Rate Schedules 505, 511, 570, and 663 reflect average rates.