

Accommodations

If you need any reasonable accommodation to enable you to fully participate in these public hearings (i.e., sign language or foreign language interpreter, wheelchair accessibility, or large-print materials) please contact the Office of Administrative Hearings at 651-361-7834 one week in advance of the hearing.

Customers with hearing or speech disabilities may call through Minnesota Relay 1-800-627-3529 or 7-1-1.

Evidentiary hearings

Formal evidentiary hearings on Minnesota Power's proposal are scheduled to start on June 13, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. in the Large Hearing Room, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, 121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350, St. Paul, MN. The purpose of the evidentiary hearings is to allow Minnesota Power, the Minnesota Department of Commerce—Division of Energy Resources, the Office of Attorney General—Residential Utilities and Antitrust Division and others to present testimony and to cross-examine each other's witnesses on the proposed rate increase.

Anyone with questions on the evidentiary hearings should contact the Administrative Law Judge, James R. Mortenson, at the Office of Administrative Hearings, PO Box 64620, St. Paul, MN 55164 or by email to oah.webmaster@state.mn.us.

For more information

Minnesota Power's current and proposed rate schedules are available at:

Minnesota Power

30 W Superior Street
Duluth, MN 55802
1-800-228-4966

www.mnpower.com/RateReview

Minnesota Department of Commerce

Energy Division
85 7th Place East, Suite 280
St. Paul, MN 55101
651-539-1500

www.mn.gov/puc

The MPUC welcomes your comments on the requested rate increase

You can submit comments through August 1, 2022. Comments received after the comment period closes may or may not be considered in the MPUC's final decision.

Visit mn.gov/puc/get-involved where you will find a list of ways to comment on docket 21-335.

To comment by email

Send your comments to consumer.puc@state.mn.us and reference docket 21-335

To comment by US mail

Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite #350
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101
Be sure to reference docket 21-335

To send comments by fax

651-297-7073 and reference docket 21-335

Important: Comments can be viewed by the public on the MPUC's Web site, except in limited circumstances consistent with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. The MPUC does not edit or delete personal identifying information from submissions.

For assistance in submitting comments, or if you have questions, contact the Commission's Consumer Affairs Office at:

Phone: 651-296-0406 or 800-657-3782

Email: consumer.puc@state.mn.us



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People who communicate in a language other than English can request translation services by calling Minnesota Power at 800-228-4966. We also offer a translation option at www.mnpower.com.



Notice of public hearings for proposed rate increase

June 2022

Minnesota Power has asked the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) for permission to increase its electric rates by approximately 17.58% or \$108.3 million overall.

State law allows Minnesota Power to collect higher rates on an interim (temporary) basis to allow the MPUC time to evaluate the request. The MPUC will make its decision regarding final rates in early 2023. Depending on customer class and usage, the actual percent will vary based upon the final approval by the MPUC.

Minnesota Power's current rates were set in MPUC Docket No. E015/GR-16-664. Since then we've invested in transmission, distribution and generation infrastructure and cleaner energy resources to ensure safe, reliable and cleaner sources of energy for customers. State regulators will review these expenses and decide how Minnesota Power may recover those costs.

Effect of rate changes

Below are examples of the effect of the proposed increase on typical bills of Minnesota Power's customers. Individual changes may be higher or lower depending on actual electricity usage.

Customer Classification	Avg. monthly kWh usage	Avg. current monthly cost	Interim monthly increase	Proposed final monthly increase*
Residential	701	\$82.76	\$5.89	\$15.08
Residential Dual Fuel	1,013	\$94.04	\$13.38	-\$0.42
General Service	2,581	\$301.93	\$42.96	\$55.09
Commercial & Industrial Dual Fuel	3,654	\$324.01	\$46.11	\$1.85
Large Light & Power	247,815	\$21,772.72	\$3,098.26	\$3,938.50
Large Power	51,654,952	\$3,635,297.83	\$517,302.88	\$558,488.32
Street & Area Lighting	224	\$60.95	\$8.67	\$11.11

*Monthly increases include all line items on bills except sales taxes and municipal franchise fees, and may vary by customer based on usage.

The rate changes described in this notice have been requested by Minnesota Power. The MPUC may either grant or deny the requested changes, in whole or in part, and may grant a lesser or greater increase than that requested for any class or classes of service.

Public hearings

Administrative Law Judge James R. Mortenson has scheduled public hearings so that customers may have an opportunity to present their views regarding Minnesota Power's recently filed retail rate case (MPUC Docket No. E-015/GR-21-335 and OAH Docket No. 5-2500-38008). Any Minnesota Power customer or other person may attend or provide comments at the hearings. You are invited to comment on the adequacy and quality of Minnesota Power's service, the level of rates or other related matters. You do not need to be represented by an attorney.

Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 2:00 pm

Virtual Hearing via Webex

Link: <https://bit.ly/39HSQxS>

Meeting Number / Access Code: 2494 908 2474

Password: MnPUC!

By Phone: +1-415-655-0003 United States Toll

1-855-282-6330 United States Toll Free

Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Virtual Hearing via Webex

Link: <https://bit.ly/3M9EogF>

Meeting Number / Access Code: 2485 423 5016

Password: MnPUC!

By Phone: +1-415-655-0003 United States Toll

1-855-282-6330 United States Toll Free

Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 2:00 pm

In-person and Virtual Hearing via Webex

AAD Shrine Meeting & Event Center

5152 Miller Trunk Hwy

Hermantown, MN 55811

Link: <https://bit.ly/3swOdgB>

Meeting Number / Access Code: 2481 071 8645

Password: MnPUC!

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1-855-282-6330 United States Toll Free

Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 6:00 pm

In-person and Virtual Hearing via Webex

AAD Shrine Meeting & Event Center

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Hermantown, MN 55811

Link: <https://bit.ly/38i1qfi>

Meeting Number / Access Code: 2493 356 5880

Password: MnPUC!

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Bad weather? To find out if a meeting is canceled, call 1-855-731-6208.