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Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

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Email comments to consumer.puc@state.mn.us

How to learn more

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

Minnesota Power

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

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Minnesota Department of Commerce

Energy Division
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Interim change in electric rates

Your Minnesota Power bill is changing.

Effective January 1, 2022



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Minnesota Power has asked the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) for an increase in electricity rates.

The requested increase is about 17.58% or \$108.3 million overall. While the MPUC reviews our request, state law allows Minnesota Power to collect higher rates on an interim (temporary) basis. The MPUC has approved an overall interim rate increase of about 14.23% for all classes, with the exception of the residential class, or a total of \$87.3 million, for all Minnesota Power customers. Residential customers (other than Dual Fuel) will see a reduced interim rate increase of approximately 7.11%. The increase is effective beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

The rate increase appears on your bill as "Interim Rate Adjustment." It applies to all major items on your bill. For residential and small general service customers, those charges include the monthly minimum charge and energy charges. For all other customers, the increase applies to the customer charge, energy charges, and the demand charge. The interim rate adjustment is billed as an increase of 7.11% for residential customers and 14.23% for all other customers, or about an additional \$5.89 a month for the average residential customer.

The MPUC will take around 15 months to review our request and will make its decision regarding final rates by early 2023. If final rates are lower than interim rates, Minnesota Power will refund customers the difference with interest. If final rates are higher than interim rates, customers are generally not charged for the difference.

Why is Minnesota Power asking for an increase?

Our 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.

What is the process for reviewing Minnesota Power's request?

Minnesota Power's customers, the MPUC, the Minnesota Department of Commerce – Division of Energy Resources, the Office of the Attorney General – Residential Utilities and Antitrust Division, and public interest groups will review and investigate our proposal.

The MPUC will hold public hearings about our rate request. Customers and others will be able to comment on our rate request at the public hearings. You may add verbal comments, written comments, or both into the record.

Notice of the public hearing dates and locations will be published in local newspapers, in bill inserts and online at www.mnpower.com/RateReview and mn.gov/puc.

Here's how these rate changes will affect monthly bills

The proposed rate increase will affect individual monthly bills differently, depending on the amount of electricity usage and customer type. The table below shows the average, interim and proposed rates for each customer type.

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