

Important notice about your natural gas service and prices

Xcel Energy — Colorado is on a path to meet our ambitious clean energy goals while continuing to deliver safe, reliable natural gas to our customers at costs well below the national average. Our natural gas system stretches 24,000 miles across the state, serving nearly 1.4 million Colorado customers.

We recently submitted a natural gas Phase II regulatory rate review to the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or Commission). The plan we put forward revises and updates rate schedules based on a proposal previously approved by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission; however, it is not about seeking additional revenue for the company. In this second phase, we will work with the Commission and stakeholders to design rates for different types of customers to cover these costs.

If approved as filed, we would implement a less than 1% residential natural gas price increase, representing a 29 cent increase on the typical bill, and a 1.9% decrease in rates that would save \$3.35 a month for an average commercial customer.

Learn more

This rate review is subject to approval by the CPUC. Details about this request, including the legal notice, are available on the back of this page and at [xcelenergy.com](https://www.xcelenergy.com). Rates are set through a transparent process with the Commission, which includes opportunities for public input and participation.

Investing in the future, delivering value today

This rate review supports improvements that make it easier for you to do business with us, and improve the way we deliver clean, reliable, affordable energy to you. Our proposal allows Xcel Energy to:

- Continue to make extensive investments across our Colorado natural gas system to serve our growing state, build resiliency into the system and strengthen our gas emergency response.
- Introduce new information technology tools that offer certain business customers greater flexibility and data to drive their decisions.
- Allocate costs between different types of customers, and accurately assign costs to the customers that generate those costs.

Customers who may have a difficult time paying their bill should call us right away at **800.895.4999**. We can answer questions and provide information about energy efficiency, rebates, payment options and programs for those who qualify for energy assistance.

Notice of Revision in the Colorado P.U.C. No. 6-Gas Tariff of Public Service Company of Colorado 1800 Larimer Street, Denver, Colorado 80202-5533

You are hereby notified that Public Service Company of Colorado (“Public Service” or the “Company”) has filed with the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”), in compliance with the Public Utilities Law, an advice letter requesting approval to revise rates for all natural gas services in its Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 – Gas Tariff, and to make additional tariff changes. Consistent with Commission Rules and Colorado Statutes, the effective date for the changed tariffs accompanying this advice letter is July 1, 2019. However, the Company requests that the Commission suspend the tariffs and set a hearing on the proposed rates and tariff changes. The Company requests an effective date of March 1, 2020 after suspension.

The primary proposed changes are to: eliminate the currently effective 24.19 percent General Rate Schedule Adjustment (“GRSA”) and place into effect revised base rates for all gas rate schedules that will replace and supersede the currently effective base rates in the Company’s Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 – Gas Tariff; implement other revised rates and charges, including transportation-related rates and charges; add charges for customer data privacy reports to the Schedule of Charges for Rendering Service; revise and update the transportation terms and conditions and related rate schedule provisions in order to better align with industry standards and Public Service’s operational requirements, including the addition of NAESB nomination procedures, a new Shipper Daily Balancing option, and Monthly Cashout requirements; and make other changes to the Company’s Gas Tariff.

In total, the proposed base rates are designed to recover the annual gas department net revenue requirement of \$473,771,840, which reflects the \$21,982,981 base rate revenue increase previously approved by the Commission in Proceeding No. 17AL-0363G. Additionally, the Company seeks to recover \$150,000 from transportation customers through the Service and Facilities charges on an annual basis for the Public Service Gas Affordability Program. The current Commission-approved GRSA of 24.19 percent will no longer be collected from customers when final rates go into effect in this Gas Phase II (based on the requested effective date of March 1, 2020, after suspension).

The Company estimates that the typical monthly gas bill will increase by \$0.29 for residential customers and decrease by \$3.35 for small commercial customers. Impacts on customers’ bills will depend upon monthly use. Typical customers of the Company under the major rate schedules will be affected as shown below.

Bill Impacts of Natural Gas Phase II Rate Review

Rate Schedules	Average Monthly Customer Bill Before Phase II	Average Monthly Customer Bill After Phase II	\$ Difference	% Difference
Residential (RG)	\$44.05	\$44.34	\$0.29	0.7%
Small Commercial (CSG)	\$180.12	\$176.77	(\$3.35)	-1.9%
Large Commercial (CLG)	\$3,248.78	\$3,308.59	\$59.81	1.8%
Interruptible Sales (IG)	\$11,309.21	\$11,230.86	(\$78.35)	-0.7%
Small Firm Transportation (TFS)	\$784.51	\$739.87	(\$44.64)	-5.7%
Large Firm Transportation (TFL)	\$5,550.37	\$5,623.84	\$73.47	1.3%
Interruptible Transportation (TI)	\$22,023.36	\$21,882.37	(\$140.99)	-0.6%

These bill impacts are based upon differences between the Company’s proposed base rates and the base rates (inclusive of the 24.19 percent GRSA) currently in effect as of May 31, 2019, with all riders held constant at their levels as of May 31, 2019. Although the GRSA will temporarily be reduced to 16.04 percent on July 1, 2019, the GRSA will reset to the current 24.19 percent by the time final rates go into effect on the requested effective date of March 1, 2020, after suspension.

In accordance with Rule 1210(a) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, copies of the current and proposed tariffs summarized above and as filed with the Commission, are available for examination and explanation at the main office of Public Service, 1800 Larimer Street, Suite 1400, Denver, Colorado 80202-5533, or at the Commission office, 1560 Broadway, Suite 250, Denver, Colorado 80202-5143. Customers who have questions may call the Commission at 303-894 2000, call Xcel Energy at 1-800-895-4999, fax to Xcel Energy at 1-800-895-2895, or e-mail to inquire@xcelenergy.com.

Anyone who desires may file written comments or objections to the proposed action. Written comments or objections shall be filed with the Commission, 1560 Broadway, Suite 250, Denver, Colorado, 80202-5143 or by visiting <http://www.dora.state.co.us/pacific/PUC/puccomments> on or before 10 days before July 1, 2019, or later should the Commission set this matter for hearing and suspend and delay the effective date of the tariffs, as requested by the Company. The Commission will consider all written comments and objections submitted prior to the evidentiary hearing on the advice letter. The filing of written comments or objections by itself will not allow you to participate as a party in any proceeding on the proposed action. If you wish to participate as a party in this matter, you must file written intervention documents in accordance with Rule 1401 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure or any applicable Commission order.

The Commission may hold a hearing to determine what rates, rules and regulations will be authorized. If a hearing is held, the Commission may suspend the proposed rates, rules or regulations. The rates, rules, and regulations ultimately authorized by the Commission may or may not be the same as those proposed, and may include rates that are higher or lower. Should the Commission hold a hearing, customers may submit written protests, comments or objections any time prior to the scheduled hearing date.

The Commission may hold a public hearing in addition to an evidentiary hearing on the advice letter. If such a hearing is held, members of the public may attend and make statements even if they did not file comments, objections or interventions. If the advice letter is uncontested or unopposed, the Commission may determine the matter without hearing and without further notice. Anyone desiring information regarding if and when a hearing may be held shall submit a written request to the Commission or, alternatively, shall contact the External Affairs section of the Commission at 303-894-2070 or 1-800-456-0858. Notices of proposed hearings will be available on the Commission website under “News Releases” or through the Commission’s e-filing system.

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