

Proposed Form of Notice

Notice of Rate Change Request

Public Notice of

Filing by Southwestern Public Service Company, doing business as Xcel Energy Inc., of Statement of Intent and Application for Authority to Change Rates

On February 8, 2021, Southwestern Public Service Company (“SPS”), doing business as Xcel Energy Inc., filed a statement of intent and application for authority to change rates (“Application”) with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (“Commission”) and with each Texas municipality that has original jurisdiction over SPS’s electric rates.

SPS has 271,393 Texas retail customers. All customers in each of SPS’s Texas retail customer classes will be affected by the relief requested in this Application.

Statement of Intent to Change Rates

SPS requests that the Commission approve an overall increase in annual base rate revenues of \$143,365,836 which represents an increase of 23% in base rate revenues (the portion of the bill not including fuel costs and rate riders) and an increase of 9.2% in overall adjusted revenues. The effect of the proposed rate change on individual customer classes is set forth in the section entitled “Effect on Customer Classes” below. SPS’s proposed effective date for this rate change is 35 days after the date of this filing, which is March 15, 2021. That proposed effective date is subject to suspension and extension by actions of the Commission or other regulatory authorities.

Effect on Customer Classes

The average Residential Service customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours of energy per month will see an increase in base rates (the portion of the bill not including fuel costs and rate riders) of \$13.22 per month, or 13.57%, which results in an overall increase of 6.71%, compared to the rates established in SPS’s last base rate case.

The following table presents the percentage annual revenue increases, by type of service, under the proposed rates in this proceeding:

	\$143,365,787 Increase		
Applicable Service	Base Rate Increase/(Decrease) (\$)	Base Rate Increase/(Decrease) (%)	Overall Bill Increase/(Decrease) (%)*
Residential Service	\$ 30,652,441	12.81%	6.7%
Small General Service	3,101,151	13.35%	5.6%
Secondary General Service	21,098,228	17.38%	5.9%
Primary General Service	16,849,292	24.68%	6.0%
Large General Service – Transmission	63,322,103	44.56%	11.7%
Small Municipal and School Service	552,080	43.24%	25.1%
Large Municipal Service	3,218,571	38.0%	17.8%
Large School Service	4,099,552	45.17%	27.0%
Municipal and State Street Lighting	1,194,019	25.09%	20.7%
Guard and Flood Lighting	(721,650)	-17.02%	-17.7%
Total	\$143,365,787	23.04%	

* Includes fuel factor and energy efficiency cost recovery factor revenues.

Contact Information

Persons with questions or who want more information on this Application may contact SPS at 790 S. Buchanan St., Amarillo, Texas 79101, or call 1-800-895-4999 during normal business hours. A complete copy of this Application is available for inspection at the address listed in the previous sentence.

Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is 45 days after the date the Application was filed with the Commission, which makes the intervention deadline Thursday, March 25, 2021. A request to intervene or for further information should refer to Docket No. _____. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information also may be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the preferred method for you to file your request for intervention or comments on the Application is electronically, and you will be required to serve the request on other parties by email. Therefore, please include your email address (and/or fax number if available) on the intervention request. Instructions for electronic filings via the "PUC Filer" on the Commission's website can be found at: <https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer>. Instructions for using the PUC Filer are available at: http://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/filings/New_PUC_Web_Filer_Presentation.pdf. Once you obtain a tracking sheet associated with your filing from the PUC Filer, you may email the tracking sheet and the document you wish to file to: centralrecords@puc.texas.gov. For assistance with your electronic filing, please contact the Commission's Help Desk at (512) 936-7100 or helpdesk@puc.texas.gov. You can review materials filed in this docket on the PUC Interchange at: <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov/>.