

# 2022 MINNESOTA NATURAL GAS RATE PROPOSALS

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At Xcel Energy, we work every day to provide the service our customers depend on, delivering reliable energy at an affordable price. We've proposed a plan to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission that would avoid raising base natural gas rates in 2022. Our proposal would keep base rates flat next year by deferring some of our expenses to a future rate proposal.

We know some customers are recovering from the economic effects of the pandemic and are affected by increases in natural gas commodity prices. To help support our customers through this time, we are proposing this option to avoid an increase next year. This proposal would also free up resources for state agencies and stakeholders to engage in other important policy priorities.

The Public Utilities Commission could also choose to consider an alternate proposal that would set new natural gas rates for 2022. If accepted, this would be our first rate proposal in 12 years. Under the proposal, our residential customers' average monthly natural gas bill would remain affordable, with an average increase of about \$3 per month in 2022 under interim rates.

Since our last rate proposal filing in 2009, we have continually invested in maintaining our natural gas system to ensure safe, reliable service. This work has kept pace with the growing demand for natural gas while also improving our system to protect public safety. Since 2010, we have expanded our natural gas services to five new communities in Minnesota and more than 44,450 new customers, and we have added about 830 miles of new distribution main.



## Learn more

Our website, [xcelenergy.com](https://www.xcelenergy.com), provides more details and information on this proposal, plus tips for managing your energy bills. Customers who anticipate or are having a difficult time paying their bill should call us at **800-895-4999**. We can arrange a payment plan that works for you, answer questions and provide information about energy efficiency and conservation tips, rebates, payment options and programs for those who qualify for energy assistance.