



Minnesota Rate Riders – Electric

Resource Adjustment – Electric

Each month your bill includes a Resource Adjustment line. This line item includes costs related to:

- Conservation Improvement Programs*
- Mercury Cost Recovery*
- Renewable Development Fund*
- Renewable Energy Standard*
- State Energy Policy*
- Transmission Cost Recovery*

**Described in more detail below*

Conservation Improvement Programs

Minnesota law requires utilities like Xcel Energy to invest in programs that help customers save energy. The Conservation Improvement Programs include a comprehensive list of programs that benefit all customers including Saver's Switch®, energy efficiency rebates and energy audits.

Mercury Cost Recovery Rider

Minnesota law allows Xcel Energy to recover costs related to reducing Mercury emissions at two of Xcel Energy's fossil fuel power plants.

Renewable Development Fund

Minnesota law requires Xcel Energy to allocate money to support development of renewable energy projects research and development of renewable energy technologies.

Renewable Energy Standard

In 2007, the legislature passed new requirements mandating that a certain percent of energy produced by utilities like Xcel Energy come from renewable resources. In order to ensure these mandates can be met, the legislature allows utilities to recover the costs of new renewable generation projects to meet the renewable energy standard in a rider.

State Energy Policy Rider – Electric

Minnesota law established a State Energy Policy (SEP) rider to recover costs related to various energy policies approved by the Legislature.

Transmission Cost Recovery Rider

Minnesota law allows Xcel Energy to recover costs associated with new investments in the electric transmission system necessary to deliver electric energy to customers.

Minnesota Rate Riders – Gas

Resource Adjustment – Gas

Each month your bill includes a Resource Adjustment line. This line item includes costs related to:

- Conservation Improvement Programs*
- Gas Utility Infrastructure Costs*
- State Energy Policy*

**Described in more detail below*

Conservation Improvement Programs

Minnesota law requires utilities like Xcel Energy to invest in programs that help customers save energy. The Conservation Improvement Programs include a comprehensive list of programs that benefit all customers including Saver's Switch®, energy efficiency rebates and energy audits.

Gas Utility Infrastructure Costs

Minnesota law allows Xcel Energy to recover costs associated with the investments related to assessments, modifications, and replacement of natural gas facilities as required to comply with state and federal pipeline safety programs.

State Energy Policy Rider – Gas

Minnesota law established a State Energy Policy (SEP) rider to recover costs related to various energy policies approved by the Legislature.