

SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY
NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE
IN GAS AND ELECTRIC RATES
APPLICATION NO. 02-05-031

On May 8, 2002, San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) filed an Application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) seeking approval of its proposed authorized capital structure for 2003, to adjust its authorized return on equity, and to revise its electric distribution and gas rates accordingly. SDG&E filed this application in response to orders from the CPUC, in Decisions 99-06-057 and 01-05-054.

EFFECT ON ELECTRIC RATES AND BILLS

If the CPUC approves SDG&E's request, the typical monthly bill of an electric customer using 400 kilowatt hours will increase by \$0.93, or 1.3%. The percentage change shown does not necessarily reflect the changes that you may see on your bill. Changes to individual customer bills will depend on individual customer usage and the season.

The following table shows the electric revenue and rate changes SDG&E is requesting in this application. The actual rates approved by the CPUC may be higher or lower than those requested by SDG&E.

PROPOSED ELECTRIC RATE INCREASE

Customer Class	Proposed Revenue Increase (\$000)	Percentage Revenue Increase	Proposed Average Rate Increase (cents/kwhr)	Percentage Rate Increase
Residential	\$12,354	4.4%	0.00196	4.4%
Small Commercial	3,884	4.3%	0.00188	4.3%
Medium & Large Commercial/Industrial	7,575	4.1%	0.00087	4.1%
Agricultural	262	4.4%	0.00206	4.4%
Lighting	107	1.8%	0.00125	1.8%
System Total	\$24,180	4.2%	0.00140	4.2%

EFFECT ON GAS RATES AND BILLS

The impact on each customer will vary depending on individual usage and the Commission's final decision in this proceeding. If the CPUC approves SDG&E's proposals without change, the monthly bill of an SDG&E residential customer using 40 therms a month will increase by \$0.60, or 1.6 %, beginning January 1, 2003.

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PROPOSED GAS RATE INCREASE

Customer Class	Proposed Revenue Increase (\$000)	Percentage Revenue Increase	Proposed Average Rate Increase (cents/kwhr)	Percentage Rate Increase
Residential Core	\$5,061	3.5%	1.551	3.5%
Natural Gas Vehicle	22	1.5%	.546	1.5%
Commercial/Industrial				
(Core) ⁽¹⁾	726	1.8%	.559	1.8%
(Noncore) ⁽²⁾	185	2.9%	.214	2.9%
Electric Generation				
(Cogen/Power Plants)	190	1.0%	.021	1.0%
System Total	\$6,183	2.9%	.038	2.6%

(1)Core customers primarily use smaller quantities of gas, and include residential and small commercial and industrial gas users.

(2)Non-core customers are the larger commercial and industrial gas users who typically have alternate fuel capacity.

THE CPUC WILL HOLD EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS

Before acting on our application, the CPUC will hold hearings to examine evidence and hear testimony presented by SDG&E and any other interested parties including the CPUC's Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA). Parties may offer proposals to the CPUC that differ from those we present. After considering all evidence presented, the CPUC will issue a decision. The CPUC may approve rates that differ from those we request. The actual rates may result in changes greater or less than those described in this notice.

HEARINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COMMENT AND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARINGS

If you wish to participate in the evidentiary hearings and need advice on how to do so, or if you would like information on the location and schedule of the hearings, please write to the CPUC's Public Advisor at the following address: Public Advisor, California Public Utilities Commission, 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 500, Los Angeles, CA 90013 or e-mail public.advisor.la@cpuc.ca.gov.

If you cannot attend the evidentiary hearings, you may submit written comments regarding SDG&E's application to the CPUC's Public Advisor at the address shown above. Mention that you are writing about Application 02-05-031. The Public Advisor will give your letter to the Commissioners, ORA staff and the Administrative Law Judge assigned to the application and it will become part of the formal correspondence file. If you have a question or need further information, please state in your letter that you would like a response. Otherwise, no reply will be sent.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information concerning this application may be obtained from Mark W. Ward, Regulatory Affairs Department, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, 8315 Century Park Court, San Diego, CA 92123. A copy of the application and attachments will be provided upon written request to SDG&E. It also may be inspected at the Sempra Energy headquarters located at 101 Ash Street, San Diego, CA 92101, or at the following SDG&E business offices:

436 H Street
Chula Vista, CA 91910

104 North Johnson Avenue
El Cajon, CA 92020

320 West Mission Avenue
Escondido, CA 92025

2405 Plaza Boulevard
National City, CA 91950-5101

30673 Old Highway 80
Pine Valley, CA 91962-4401

662 Camino De Los Mares
San Clemente, CA 92673-2827

1720 Euclid Avenue
San Diego, CA 92105

5971 University Avenue
Suite 310
San Diego, CA 92115

3910 Vista Way
Suite 105

Oceanside, CA 92054

101 Ash Street
San Diego, CA 92101

4340 Genesee Avenue
Suite 103
San Diego, CA 92117-4999

SDG&E's application and attachments may also be inspected at the CPUC office located in San Diego at 1350 Front Street, San Diego, CA 92101.

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