IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PUGET SOUND ENERGY CUSTOMERS ABOUT PROPOSED CHANGES IN RATES

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) recently filed requests with the state Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) to adjust electric and natural gas rates. The requested changes, proposed to be effective on October 1, 2018, adjusts the Low-income program (included in "Other Charges" listed on statement). PSE has asked the UTC to decrease natural gas rates by an overall average of 12 hundredths of 1 percent. Natural gas rates for commercial and industrial customers will increase slightly. PSE has asked the UTC to decrease electric rates by an overall average of 2 hundredths of 1 percent. Some electric rate schedules will increase slightly, decrease slightly or have no change. This rate adjustment offsets the actual costs of the low income bill assistance program. For the typical residential customer using 900 kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity per month, the monthly bill would decrease by 3 cents or 0.03 percent. For the typical residential customer using 64 therms of natural gas per month, the monthly bill would decrease by 13 cents or 0.2 percent.

The proposed, overall average change for electric customers is:

TYPE OF SERVICE—ELECTRIC SCHEDULE	PERCENT CHANGE
Residential Service (Schedule 7)	0.04 decrease
Small General Service (Schedules 24 & 8)	0.0
Medium General Service (Schedules 25 & 11)	0.0
Large General Service (Schedules 12 & 26)	0.01 increase
Seasonal Irrigation & Drainage Pumping Service (Schedule 29)	
Primary Voltage General Service (Schedules 31 & 10)	0.01 increase
Primary Voltage Irrigation & Drainage Pumping (Schedule 35)	0.35 increase
Large General Service Greater Than 3 aMW (Schedule 40)	0.03 decrease
Primary Voltage Interruptible Schools (Schedule 43)	0.01 increase
High Voltage Interruptible Service (Schedule 46)	0.0
High Voltage General Service (Schedule 49)	0.0
Lighting (Schedules 50–59)	0.10 decrease

The proposed, overall average change for natural gas customers is:

TYPE OF SERVICE—NATURAL GAS SCHEDULE	PERCENT CHANGE
Residential Service (Schedules 23 & 53)	0.20 decrease
Commercial & Industrial (Schedule 31)	0.08 increase
Commercial & Industrial Transportation (Schedule 31T)	0.09 increase
Large Volume (Schedule 41)	0.05 increase
Large Volume Transportation (Schedule 41T)	0.12 increase
Interruptible with Firm Option (Schedule 85)	0.03 increase
Interruptible with Firm Option Transportation (Schedule 85T)	0.11 increase
Limited Interruptible (Schedule 86)	0.04 increase
Limited Interruptible Transportation (Schedule 86T)	0.10 increase
Non-Exclusive Interruptible (Schedule 87)	0.01 increase
Non-Exclusive Interruptible Gas Service Transportation (Schedule 87T).	0.08 increase

PSE requested these changes through the existing low income assistance mechanism previously approved by the UTC. The mechanism allows PSE to periodically adjust its electric and natural gas rates to reflect changes in actual sales and costs. The UTC has the authority to set final rates that may vary from PSE's requests, either higher or lower or structured differently depending on the results of its review. PSE bills all natural gas and most electric customers every month; some electric customers are billed every other month.

Comments or questions on proposals: PSE customers may submit comments to the UTC about these proposals by using the online comment form at www.utc.wa.gov/comment; e-mailing to comments@utc.wa.gov; faxing to 360-664-4291; or mailing your comments to the UTC at: P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA, 98504. If you write, include your name and mailing address, the name of the company (PSE), and a description of the filing(s). You may also ask questions of the UTC and request the UTC notify you of the open meeting at which these proposals will be considered by the Commission. The UTC is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the Commission at (360) 664-1132 or human_resources@utc.wa.gov.

The public is represented by the Public Counsel Section of the Office of the Attorney General. You can reach the Public Counsel Section by writing to Public Counsel, Assistant Attorney General, 800 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle, WA 98104-3188, or by e-mail at utility@atg.wa.gov.

To contact PSE about these proposals: by email, customercare@pse.com, in writing, ATTN: Customer Care, P.O. Box 97034, Bellevue, WA 98009-9734, by phone, 888-225-5773. Additional information about the electric and natural gas filings is available at www.pse.com.

