
Rider 1
Customer Charge Adjustments

Applicable to All Rates and Special Contracts
***Except Rate 81 and 82**

The monthly Customer charges authorized under the Schedule of which this rider is a part, as effective from time to time, and special Customer contracts, with or without monthly Customer charges, shall be subject to the following additional charges:

*** Energy Assistance Charge for the Supplemental Low-Income Energy Assistance Fund.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 13 of the Energy Assistance Act of 1989, as amended, whereby the Company is required to impose a monthly Energy Assistance Charge for the Supplemental Low-Income Energy Assistance Fund on each account for which natural gas service is provided, the Company shall increase the monthly Customer charge by the following amounts:

Residential Service

BEAC x 1 per month on each account.

Non-Residential Service

BEAC x 10 per month on each account which has consumed less than 4,000,000 therms of gas in the previous calendar year.

BEAC x 375 per month on each account which has consumed 4,000,000 or more therms of gas in the previous calendar year.

BEAC is the Base Energy Assistance Charge as specified in 305 ILCS 20/13 which provides that the initial BEAC shall be \$0.48 per month. Subsequent BEAC's shall increase by \$0.16 per month for any calendar year, provided that at least 80% of the previous State fiscal year's available Supplemental Low-Income Energy Assistance Fund funding has been exhausted. Further, the maximum BEAC shall not exceed \$0.96 per month for any calendar year. The initial amounts of the respective Energy Assistance Charges shall be specified in an information sheet filed coincident with the filing seeking approval of these provisions. Subsequent information sheets shall be filed, as necessary, to set forth any change to the Energy Assistance Charges.

Renewable Energy Resources and Coal Technology Development Assistance Charge

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 6-5 of the Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency and Coal Resources Development Law of 1997, whereby the Company is required to impose a monthly Renewable Energy Resources and Coal Technology Development Assistance Charge on each account for which natural gas service is provided, the Company shall increase the monthly Customer charge by the following amounts:

Residential Service

\$0.05 per month on each account.

Non-Residential Service

\$0.50 per month on each account which has consumed less than 4,000,000 therms of gas in the previous calendar year.

\$37.50 per month on each account which has consumed 4,000,000 or more therms of gas in the previous calendar year.

Except as specified above, all other provisions of the rate or special contract shall apply.

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*** Public Utility Assessment Charge**

Pursuant to Section 2-202 (i-5) of the Public Utilities Act, whereby the Company is charged a utility assessment by the Illinois Commerce Commission (the Commission), the Company shall adjust the monthly Customer charge by the amounts specified on the information sheet.

Pursuant to Section 4-604(h) of the Public Utilities Act, whereby the Company is required to pay a filing fee when submitting its annual ethics and compliance report, the Company shall also include this annual filing fee in the adjustment to the monthly customer charge under this Rider.

Pursuant to Section 4-604(j) of the Public Utilities Act, whereby the Company is required to remit payment to the Commission for costs associated with the Public Utility Ethics and Compliance Monitor, in an amount determined by the Commission based on the Company's proportional share, by number of customers, the Company shall also include this annual payment in the adjustment to the monthly customer charge under this Rider.

Pursuant to Section 9-229(b)(-5) of the Public Utilities Act, whereby the Company is required to remit payment to the Commission for the Consumer Intervenor Compensation Fund within 60 days after September 15, 2021, in the amount of \$225,000, the Company shall include this payment of \$225,000 in the adjustment to the monthly customer charge under this Rider.

*** Rate Class Applicability**

The Public Utility Assessment Charge (PUAC) is applicable to all rate classes. For the purpose of this charge, the following three customer classifications shall be applicable:

- Residential (Rate 1)
- Small Non-Residential (Rates 4, 5, 74, 75)
- Large Non-Residential (Rates 6, 7, 17, 19, 76, 77)

*** Definitions**

Effective Period shall mean the period in which the PUAC shall be billed to customers. The Effective Period shall end with the June monthly billing cycle. Beginning in September 2022, the Effective Period shall be the 12-month period of September through August.

Annual Reconciliation Period (ARP) shall mean the period beginning with the first monthly billing cycle after the filing of an approved information sheet stating the PUAC charge and ending with the following June billing cycle. Beginning in December 2022, the Annual Reconciliation Period shall be the 9-month period of December through August.

Filing Month shall mean the month in which the PUAC is determined by the Company and filed with the Commission.

Fiscal Year shall mean the Commission's fiscal year assessment period beginning annually July 1 through June 30.

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*** Determination of PUAC**

The Company shall determine under this Section the PUAC to be placed into effect with service rendered on and after the first day of the Effective Period. A separate PUAC shall be calculated for each customer classification. The PUAC will be allocated to each customer classification based on the percentage of forecasted base revenues during the Effective Period.

The PUAC Charge shall be determined for each classification in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{PUAC} = \frac{((\text{UA} + \text{E} + \text{F})) \times \text{P}}{\text{B}}$$

Where: PUAC = The Public Utility Assessment Charge for each classification in dollars per month rounded up to the nearest \$0.01.

UA = The forecasted or actual dollar value of the utility assessment for the succeeding Effective Period.

E = The forecasted or actual dollar value of the filing fee for the annual ethics and compliance report, plus costs associated with the Public Utility Ethics and Compliance Monitor.

F = 2021 payment of \$225,000 to the Consumer Intervenor Compensation Fund.

P = Ratio of forecasted base revenue for the applicable customer classification to total Company forecasted base revenue during the Effective Period.

B = The amount of forecasted bills during the Effective Period for each customer classification.

*** Initial Effective Period Information Sheet**

The initial assessment is based on the Commission's Fiscal Year for the period of July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018. The Company shall file with the Commission an information sheet specifying the PUAC by customer class and the Effective Date of the charge.

*** Information Sheet Filing**

Beginning with the July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019 assessment period, the Company shall file each year, within 30 days of receipt of its annual utility assessment notice, an information sheet that specifies the annual adjustments to be effective under the PUAC. If the Company has not received its annual utility assessment notice prior to two business days before June 30, the Company shall continue to charge the UARC established in the prior annual information sheet filing, as an estimate during the new Effective Period, until such time as it has received its annual utility assessment notice. In 2022 only, the rate will be set to \$0.00 for the months of July and August. Then, beginning with the August 2022 filing, an information sheet will be filed by August 20th. The Company shall file any corrections from a timely filed information sheet on or before the Effective Period.

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*** Information Sheet Filing** (continued)

If the Company determines during the Effective Period that it is appropriate to revise a Public Utility Assessment Charge to better match revenues or expected revenue with costs incurred or expected to be incurred, the Company may, from time to time, calculate a revised Public Utility Assessment Charge to become effective as of the beginning of any monthly billing cycle during the Effective Period. The Company shall submit all applicable work papers necessary to support the determination of the PUAC's at the time of the filings. Additionally, information sheets associated with reconciliation filings are permitted as described below. Any other information sheet filings will only be accepted if submitted as a special permission request under the provisions of Section 9-201 (a) of the Public Utilities Act (220 ILCS 5/9-201 (a)).

*** Reconciliation Filing**

Prior to 2022, the Company shall include with its annual information sheet filing that is made within 30 days of receipt of its annual utility assessment notice, a reconciliation adjustment for the period ending with the relevant June monthly billing period of each year which shows an ARB to be applicable for the new Effective Period. Beginning with the November 2022 filing, on or before November 30, the Company shall file a petition with the Chief Clerk to initiate the annual reconciliation process. The petition shall include a reconciliation that will compare revenues collected under this Rider during the Effective Period with the anticipated amount of revenues that were to be recovered or refunded under this Rider. For the reconciliation filed in November 2022, in order to transition to the new filing timeline for this rider, the reconciliation will cover two effective periods. This reconciliation will reconcile amounts recovered from customers during the effective periods of July 2020-June 2021 (Fiscal Year 2021) and July 2021-June 2022 (Fiscal Year 2022). Supporting documentation or workpapers affecting the information presented in the Company's reconciliation petition shall be provided to the Commission's Accounting Staff at the time of this filing of the reconciliation. In conjunction with the reconciliation filing, a new Information Sheet may be filed adjusting the then effective charges or credits under this Rider for the amount to be reconciled. Any Ordered reconciling amount resulting from such proceeding (Factor O) shall be adjusted for in the following Effective Period.

The annual Reconciliation Adjustment effective December 1 of each year, beginning in 2022, shall be calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{Reconciliation Adjustment} = \frac{((\text{ARB} + \text{O}) \times (1 + i)) \times \text{P}}{\text{B}}$$

ARB = The Annual Reconciliation Balance from any overcollection or undercollection during the preceding Effective Period. For the reconciliation filed in November 2022, this reconciliation will reconcile amounts recovered from customers during the effective periods of July 2020-June 2021 and July 2021-June 2022

O = Commission ordered adjustment.

i = The interest rate established by the Commission under 83 Ill. Adm. Code 280.40(g)(1) adjusted for the number of applicable months.

P = As previously defined.

B = As previously defined.

*** PUAC Billing Details**

The PUAC will be rounded up to the nearest cent