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Please reference **Southwest Gas GRC Application No. A.19-08-015** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter. All public comments will become part of the public correspondence file for this proceeding and made available for review to the assigned Judge, the Commissioners, and appropriate CPUC staff.



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## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CUSTOMERS NOTICE OF REQUEST TO INCREASE RATES FOR THE 2021 GENERAL RATE CASE APPLICATION 19-08-015 (A.19-08-015)

*Para más información de este aviso, puede comunicarse con Asistencia al Cliente al 1-877-860-6020.*

On August 30, 2019, Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest Gas) filed its General Rate Case (GRC) Application (A.19-08-015) with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), requesting authority to increase revenues for year 2021 in its Placer, El Dorado and Nevada Counties service areas by \$1,469,249. Southwest Gas also proposes annual margin revenue increases of 2.75% for years 2022 through 2025. The proposed change in annual revenue by customer class is shown in the table below. Southwest Gas is requesting that new rates become effective January 1, 2021.

Southwest Gas is requesting an increase in revenue in order to invest in improvements in safety and reliability of its gas distribution system. In this application, Southwest Gas proposes to take the following actions to minimize the impact of the proposed rate increase on customers:

- Continue offering a suite of Conservation and Energy Efficiency (CEE) programs to help customers conserve energy and save on their energy costs, including Residential and Commercial Equipment Rebates, Residential Equipment Direct-install, and Solar Thermal Rebates.
- Adjust the basic service charge to better reflect customer-related costs and to assist in decreasing peak winter monthly bills.
- Increase the number of residential baseline seasons from two to three to minimize bill volatility for residential customers. The proposed baseline seasons will be Summer (June through October), Winter Off-Peak (April, May and November) and Winter (December through March).

**PROPOSED ANNUAL REVENUE BY CUSTOMER CLASS**

Customer Class	Authorized Revenues at		Revenues at		Revenue Increase/(Decrease)	Percent Change
	Present Rates	Proposed Rates	Proposed Rates	Proposed Rates		
Primary Residential	\$ 17,832,885	\$ 18,632,265	\$ 799,380	4.48%		
Secondary Residential	10,577,480	11,064,839	487,349	4.61%		
Master-Metered	15,350	15,928	578	3.77%		
Master-Metered - Submetered	0	0	0	0%		
Core General	5,580,441	5,749,554	169,113	3.03%		
Core Motor Vehicle	101,832	102,622	790	0.78%		
Core Internal Combustion Engine	762	851	89	11.68%		
Noncore General	471,241	483,191	11,950	2.54%		

**If the CPUC approves Southwest Gas' proposed rate changes, the typical monthly bills for Northern California residential customers would be:**

Season	Increase/Decrease
Summer Season (June through October)	Customers using 24 therms would increase by \$0.05 or from \$37.07 to \$37.12
Winter Off-Peak Season (April, May and November)	Customers using 66 therms would increase by \$0.70, or from \$92.02 to \$91.33
Winter Season (December through March)	Customers using 124 therms would increase by \$4.47, or from \$173.00 to \$168.53

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

You may request additional information or obtain a copy of the application and related exhibits by writing to: Valerie J. Ontiveroz, Southwest Gas Corporation, P.O. Box 98510, Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-8510. Southwest Gas will provide a copy of this application, including testimony, upon request. A copy of the application and any amendments may also be reviewed at the following Southwest Gas offices: 10682 Pioneer Trail, Truckee; 218 Incline Court, Incline Village, Nevada; or 400 Eagle Station Lane, Carson City, Nevada.

The application and related exhibits are also available electronically on Southwest Gas' website at <https://www.swgas.com/en/california-rates-and-regulation>.

A hard copy can be reviewed at the CPUC's Central Files Office by appointment. For more information, contact [aljcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:aljcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov) or (415) 703-2045.

**THE CPUC PROCESS**

This application has been assigned to an Administrative Law Judge (Judge) who determines how to receive evidence and other related documents, necessary for the CPUC to establish a record upon which to base its decision. Evidentiary Hearings (EHs) may be held where parties of record present their testimony and may be subject to cross-examination by other parties. These EHs are open to the public, but only those who are parties of record can participate.

After considering all proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process, the assigned Judge will issue a proposed decision which may adopt Southwest Gas' proposals, modify or deny them. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon at a scheduled CPUC Voting Meeting.