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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.



SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

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

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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 San Bernardino County service areas by \$6,775,615. 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 (May through October), Winter Off-Peak (March, April and November) and Winter (December through February).



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PROPOSED ANNUAL REVENUE BY CUSTOMER CLASS

Customer Class	Authorized Revenues at Present Rates	Revenues at Proposed Rates	Revenues Increase/(Decrease)	Percent Change
Primary Residential	\$ 83,754,505	\$ 89,535,930	\$ 5,781,425	6.90%
Secondary Residential	2,986,038	3,170,245	184,207	6.17%
Master-Metered	257,034	271,962	14,928	5.81%
Master-Metered - Submetered	784,795	807,244	22,449	2.86%
Core General	15,134,193	15,728,559	594,366	3.93%
Core Motor Vehicle	715,724	734,231	18,507	2.59%
Core Internal Combustion Engine	16,075	17,067	992	6.17%
Small Electric Power Generation	1,925,723	1,953,662	27,939	1.45%
Noncore General	1,605,763	1,710,750	104,987	6.54%
Sale for Resale	1,110,339	1,136,155	25,816	2.33%

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

Season	Increase/Decrease
Summer Season (May through October)	Customers using 16 therms would increase by \$3.15, or from \$28.19 to \$31.34
Winter Off-Peak Season (March, April and November)	Customers using 39 therms would increase by \$5.56, or from \$60.69 to \$66.25
Winter Season (December through February)	Customers using 72 therms would increase by \$8.29, or from \$110.90 to \$119.19

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: 13471 Mariposa Road, Victorville; 140 Business Center Drive, Big Bear Lake; or 1705 Langford Drive, Bullhead City, Arizona 86442 (for Needles customers).

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 ajcentralfilesid@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 will 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 records 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.