

# **Gas Rates and Bill**

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- 1. Find the number of therms you used this month. Your bill shows them under metering information.
- Subtract your previous meter reading from your present meter reading.
- Multiply the difference by the multifactor shown for your meter.
- This is your use for the period. Compute the charges for it by using the rate schedule shown for your meter on your
- 2. Find your rate schedule in this pamphlet. Your bill identifies the rate schedule each meter is billed under.

City of Coeur d'Alene	5%
City of Dover	1%
City of Hayden	1%
City of Kellogg	1%

**About Your Avista Utilities** 3. Compute the charges for your use, following the steps outlined for your rate schedule. For your convenience, the energy charges already include the effect of Schedule 150 (Purchase Gas Cost Adjustment), Schedule 155 (Gas Rate Adjustment), Schedule 172 (Federal Tax Reform Rate), Schedule 175 (Fixed Cost Adjustment), and Schedule 191 (Energy Efficiency Rider Adjustment). The rates for these schedules are stated at the end of each rate schedule where applicable.

4. After calculating the charge for your natural gas use, figure and add any franchise fees which you pay on gas. They also are identified on your monthly bill.

#### **Franchise Fees**

The current franchise fees in Idaho towns to which Avista Utilities provides natural gas

City of Moscow	3%
City of Ponderay	1%
City of Rathdrum	1%
City of Spirit Lake	1%

**PLEASE NOTE** If the days of service shown on your bill are for less than 27 or more than 35 days, your bill may have been prorated. In this case, the following calculations cannot be used to calculate your monthly bill exactly. If you notice a dramatic change in your billing, up or down, please contact our customer service department immediately. Errors in billing may result in adjustment (backbilling or refund) of your account up to three years.

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General Service Rate Schedule 101 For firm gas service supplied at one point of delivery through a single meter, used for any purpose. Monthly Charge \$6.00 Basic Charge, plus

\$0.67166 per therm Example: If you used 46 therms of gas your bill would be calculated like this:

> Basic Charge \$ 6.00 \$0.67166 x 46 therms \$30.90

Above rates include the effects of the following schedules: Schedule 150 (Purchase Gas Cost Adjustment) \$26929/therm Schedule 155 (Gas Rate Adjustment) \$0.08862 credit/therm Schedule 172 (Federal Tax Reform Rate) \$0.03548 credit/therm Schedule 175 (Fixed Cost Adjustment) \$0.02466/therm Schedule 191 (Energy Efficiency Rider Adjustment) \$0.01818/therm

## **Explanation of Terms**

Basic Charge: Customers billed under some rate schedules are charged a fee which helps to pay the basic costs. that are a natural part of keeping gas available to all our customers. Examples include meter reading and billing costs and the cost of maintaining company equipment on your premises. The basic charge is added into the total charge for your use. Minimum Charge: If a rate schedule lists a minimum charge we will bill at least that amount each month, even if the actual charges for your use were less than that amount. The minimum charge, like the basic charge,

is designed to help pay basic costs of keeping gas available to you. Therms: Your use of gas is billed in units called therms. One therm equals the heating capacity of approximately 100,000 matches.

**Multifactor:** Your gas meter measures gas in cubic feet. The heating capacity of a cubic foot of gas varies depending on what source we get it from. In order to bill you only for the heating capacity which your gas provides, we use a multifactor to convert cubic feet into therms. The multifactor varies with differences in the grade of gas we can provide to you.

Large General Service Rate Schedule 111 Monthly Charge

\$102.73

\$0.18806 for the first 200 therms \$0.51026 per therm for the next 800 therms per \$0.42787 therm for the next 9,000 therms per \$0.37340 therm for all therms over 10,000

Minimum Charge, plus

Minimum charge is \$102.73, plus the adjustments from schedules 150, 155, 172, 175, and 191 unless a higher minimum is required under contract to cover special conditions.

Example: If you used 10,240 therms of gas your bill would be calculated like this:

Minimum charge	=	\$102.73
\$0.18806 x 200 therms	=	\$37.61
\$0.51026 x 800 therms	=	\$408.21
\$0.42787 x 9,000 therms	=	\$3,850.83
\$0.37340 x 240 therms	=	\$89.62
Charge for 10,240 therms	=	\$4,489.00

Above rates include the effects of the following schedules: Schedule 150 (Purchase Gas Cost Adjustment) \$0.26929/therm Schedule 155 (Gas Rate Adjustment) \$0.08862 credit/therm Schedule 172 (Federal Tax Reform Rate) \$0.01854 credit/therm Schedule 175 (Fixed Cost Adjustment) \$0.01615/therm

Schedule 191 (Energy Efficiency Rider Adjustment) \$0.00978/therm Example for Minimum Use Customer (Less than 200 therms per month):

If you had used 175 therms of gas, your bill would be calculated as follows:

Minimum charge fo	r use of less	than 200 therms	=	\$102.73
Schedule 150 rate p	er therm:			
\$0.26929	Χ	175 therms	=	\$47.13
Schedule 155 credit	per therm:			
(\$0.08862)	Χ	175 therms	=	(\$15.51)
Schedule 172 credit	per therm:			
(\$0.01854)	Χ	175 therms	=	(\$3.24)
Schedule 175 rate p	er therm:			
\$0.01615	Χ	175 therms	=	\$2.83
Schedule 191 rate p	er therm:			
\$0.00978	Χ	175 therms	=	\$1.71
Total Charge for serv	vice:		=	\$135.65

Customers served under Schedules 101 and 111 are eligible for service under either Schedule. If you consistently use over 200 therms each month, you probably should be served under Schedule 111. Otherwise vour bill will be less under Schedule 101. If you take service under either of these Schedules, and you believe your bill would be considerably less by taking service under the other Schedule for an entire year, please contact one of our customer service representatives at the office shown on your bill.

Rate Schedules 112, 131, 132, and 146 are available, under contract, to large and extra-large gas customers. They are not explained here because of their limited application. If you have further questions, please contact one of our customer

service representatives.



## **How to Calculate Electric Bills for Residential Idaho Customers**

#### **About Your Avista Utilities Electric Rates and Bill**

Avista Utilities provides rate schedule information and an explanation of billing procedures to help our customers understand how their bills are calculated. If you wish to calculate your monthly bill:

- 1. Find the number of kilowatt hours (kWhs), and kilowatts (kWs) if applicable, you used this month. Your bill shows them under meterina information.
- Subtract your previous meter reading from your present meter reading. Multiply the difference by the multifactor shown for your
- This is your use for the period. Compute the charges for it by using the rate schedule shown for your meter on your bill.
- 2. Find your rate schedule in this pamphlet. Your bill identifie the rate schedule each meter is billed under

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City of Coeur d'Alene	5%
City of Dalton Gardens	1%
City of Dover	1%
City of Elk River	1%
City of Hayden	1%
City of Hayden Lake	1%
City of Kamiah	1%
City of Kellogg	1%
City of Kendrick	1%
City of Kootenai	1%
City of Kooskia	1%
City of Lapwai	1%
City of Lewiston	1%
City of Moscow	3%
City of Mullan	1%
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- 3. Compute the charges for your use, following the steps outlined for your rate schedule. For your convenience, the energy charges already include the effect of Schedule 59 (Residential and Farm Energy Rate Adjustment), Schedule 66 (Temporary Power Cost Adjustment), Schedule 72 (Federal Tax Reform Rate), Schedule 75 (Fixed Cost Adjustment), Schedule 91 (Energy Efficiency Rider Adjustment), and Schedule 97 (Rebate of Electric Earnings Test Deferral). The rates for these schedules are stated at the end of each rate
- schedule where applicable. After calculating the charge for your electric use, figure and add any city taxes which you pay on electricity. They also are identified on your monthly bill.

#### Franchise Fees

The current Franchise Fees in Idaho towns to which Avista Utilities provides electricity are:

City of Oldtown	1%
City of Orofino	3%
City of Osburn	1%
City of Pierce	1%
City of Ponderay	1%
City of Post Falls	1%
City of Potlatch	1%
City of Priest River	1%
City of Rathdrum	1%
City of Sandpoint	1%
City of Spirit Lake	1%
City of St. Maries	1%
City of Wallace	1%
City of Worley	3%

35 days, your bill may have been prorated. In this case, the following calculations cannot three years.

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## **Residential Service**

#### **Rate Schedule 1**

For service supplied through one meter for domestic use in an individual residence.

#### **Monthly Charge**

\$6.00	Basic Charge, plus
\$.08710	per kWh for the first 600 kWhs
\$.09752	per kWh for all additional kWhs

Example: If you used 1,500 kilowatt hours of electricity, your bill would be calculated like this:

Basic Charge	=	\$6.00
\$.08710 x 600 kWhs	=	\$52.26
\$.09752 x 900 kWhs	=	\$87.77
Charge for 1500 kWhs	=	\$146.03

Above rates include the effects of the following schedules: Schedule 59 (Residential and Farm Energy Rate Adj.) \$0.00078 credit/kWh

Schedule 66 (Temporary Power Cost Adj.) \$0.00240 credit/kWh Schedule 72 (Federal Tax Reform Rate) \$0.00533 credit/kWh Schedule 75 (Fixed Cost Adjustment) \$0.00281/kWh Schedule 91 (Energy Efficiency Rider Adj.) \$0.00395/kWh Schedule 97 (Rebate of Electric Earnings Test) \$0.00050 credit/

#### kWh **Optional Seasonal Monthly Charge:**

A \$6.00 monthly charge shall apply to customers who close their account on a seasonal or intermittent basis, providing no energy usage occurs during an entire monthly billing cycle while the account is closed.

#### **Residential Rate Schedule 12**

For service supplied through one meter, which is used for multiple family dwellings, additional meters at same residence, ioint residence/commercial building, farms or outbuilding such as shops or garages.

#### **Monthly Charge**

Basic Charge \$13.00

Energy Charge \$0.09949/kWh for first 3,650 kWhs \$0.07140/kWh for all additional kWhs

#### **Demand Charge**

No charge for the first 20 kW \$6.00 per kW for all additional kW

(Minimum Charge is the demand charge, but not less than \$12.00 for single phase service, and \$19.10 for 3-phase service.)

## **Explanation of Terms**

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Minimum Charge: If a rate will bill at least that amount each

month, even if the actual charges for your use were less than that amount. The minimum charge, like the basic charge, is designed to help pay basic costs of keeping electricity available to you.

Kilowatt Hour (Kwh): The measure used to determine how much electricity is used. The kilowatt hours on your bill equal the rate or speed of use (kilowatts) x the length of time (hours) electricity was used. One kilowatt hour equals 1000 watt schedule lists a minimum charge we hours. Burning a 100 watt light bulb **Demand:** Demand is another

of electricity. Running a 5000 watt (5 kilowatt) dryer for two hours uses kilowatts (Kws). Most residential 10 kilowatt hours.

Multifactor: Each electric meter has its own multifactor. Meters which count each kilowatt hour have a multifactor of 1. Meters which count kilowatt hours by tens have a multifactor of 10. Other common multifactors are 40, 120, and 240. Your bill indicates the multifactor for your meter.

for ten hours uses one kilowatt hour word for the rate or speed at which

electricity is used. It is measured in accounts use electricity at a low rate and do not have demand meters. Accounts which require a high rate of energy at certain times are measured and billed for their demand (kilowatts) as well as for their total kilowatt hour use Generally speaking, demand meters are present on commercial and industrial accounts only. If demand is being measured and charged on an account, it will be clearly stated on monthly bills.

Example: If you used 8100 kWhs and had a demand of 30 kWs, your bill would be calculated like this:

Basic Charge	=	\$13.00
\$0.09949 x 3650 kWhs	=	\$363.14
\$0.07140 x 4450 kWhs	=	\$317.73
Charge for 8100 kWhs	=	\$693.87
\$0.00 for 20 kWs	=	\$0.00
\$6.00 x 10 kWs	=	\$60.00
Charge for 30 kWs	=	\$60.00
Total charge for service	=	\$753.87

Above rates include the effects of the following schedules: Schedule 59 (Residential and Farm Energy Rate Adj.) \$0.00078 credit/

Schedule 66 (Temporary Power Cost Adj.) \$0.00240 credit/kWh Schedule 72 (Federal Tax Reform Rate) \$0.00568 credit/kWh Schedule 75 (Fixed Cost Adjustment) \$0.00241/kWh Schedule 91 (Energy Efficiency Rider Adj.) \$0.00427/kWh Schedule 97 (Rebate of Electric Earnings Test) \$0.00050 credit/kWh

### **Large General Service**

#### **Residential Rate Schedule 22**

For large general service supplied through one meter installation for multiple family dwellings or farms.

#### **Monthly Charge**

Energy Charge \$.06427/kWh for first 250,000 kWhs \$.05451/kWh for all additional kWhs

### **Demand Charae**

\$425.00 for first 50 kWs or less \$5.50 per kW for each additional kW

## **Power Factor Adjustment**

Where customer's kilowatt demand is 50 kW or more and customer's maximum 15 minute reactive kilovolt amperes demand for that month is in excess of 60 percent of the kW demand, customer will pay \$.25 for each reactive kilovolt ampere of excess. The reactive kilovolt ampere demand may be determined by permanently installed instruments or periodic tests.

#### **Primary Voltage Discount**

\$.20 per kW if service is at 11 kv (wye grounded) or higher. (Minimum Charge is \$425.00).

Example: If you used 24,000 Kwhs and had a demand of 65 Kws, your bill would be calculated like this:

\$.06427 x 24,000 kWhs	=	\$1,542.48
Charge for 24,000 kWhs	=	\$1,542.48
Charge for 50 kWs	=	\$425.00
\$5.50 x 15 (additional kWs)	=	\$82.50
Charge for 65 kWs	=	\$507.50
Total charge for service	=	\$2,049.98

(Notice: Neither power factor adjustment nor primary voltage discount is present on this sample bill.)

Above rates include the effects of the following schedules: Schedule 59 (Residential and Farm Energy Rate Adj.) \$0.00078 credit/kWh

Schedule 66 (Temporary Power Cost Adj.) \$0.00240 credit/kWh Schedule 72 (Federal Tax Reform Rate) \$0.00448 credit/kWh Schedule 75 (Fixed Cost Adjustment) \$0.00241/kWh Schedule 91 (Energy Efficiency Rider Adj.) \$0.00340/kWh Schedule 97 (Rebate of Electric Earnings Test) \$0.00050 credit/kWh

## **Pumping Service**

#### Residential Rate Schedule 32

For service through one meter for water pump operations, including necessary lighting and other equipment, at multiple family dwellings or farms.

### **Monthly Charge**

\$11.00 Basic Charge, plus \$0.09919 per kWh for first 85 kWhs, per kWh of demand \$0.09919 per kWh for next 80 kWhs, per kW of demand, but not more than 3000 kWhs \$0.08419 per kWh for additional kWhs

(Annual Minimum is \$12.00 per Kw of the highest demand established in the current year ending with the November billing cycle. If no demand was established during the year, the annual minimum will be based on the highest demand established during the most recent year having a demand.)

*Example*: If you used 12,500 kWhs of electricity and had a demand of 45 kWs, your bill would be calculated like this:

First 85 kWhs x 45 kWs = 3,825 kWhs to bill at Step 1 Next 80 kWhs x 45 kWs = 3,600 kWhs (limit 3000 kWhs) to bill at Step 2.

Total	kWhs used		12,500
Minu	s Step 1 use		-3,825
Minus maximum Step 2 use			-3,000
kWhs	to bill at Step 3	=	5,675
Basic Charge		=	\$11.00
ep 1: \$0.09	919 x 3825 kWhs	=	\$379.40
ep 2: \$0.09	919 x 3000 kWhs	=	\$297.57
ep 3: \$0.08	419 x 5675kWhs	=	\$477.78
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Schedule 66 (Temporary Power Cost Adj.) \$0.00240 credit/kWh Schedule 72 (Federal Tax Reform Rate) \$0.00510 credit/kWh Schedule 75 (Fixed Cost Adjustment) \$0.00241/kWh Schedule 91 (Energy Efficiency Rider Adj.) \$0.00396/kWh Schedule 97 (Rebate of Electric Earnings Test) \$0.00050 credit/

If you have further questions, please contact a customer service representative at the office shown on your bill.