

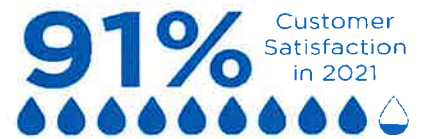


**THE MAINE WATER COMPANY, CAMDEN & ROCKLAND DIVISION**  
**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING**

The Maine Water Company hereby notifies its Camden & Rockland Division customers (customers in the towns of Camden, Rockland, Rockport, Owls Head, Thomaston, West Rockport, Glen Cove, Warren, and South Warren) that a request for a proposed increase in rates has been filed with the Maine Public Utilities Commission (MPUC). This notice is given pursuant to Chapter 110, Section 8 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The proposed rate increase is being filed pursuant to Section 307 of Title 35-A of the Maine Revised Statutes and Chapter 120 of the Commission's Rules.

We know that having a high quality, reliable water system is essential and provides for public health, fire protection, economic opportunities and the quality of life in the communities we serve. We have taken steps through the years to operate efficiently, upgrade the water system and make the best use of customers' dollars. **We are pleased that we have been able to hold your water bill stable over the past eight years.** The rate increase is necessary to continue to deliver the high quality water and service you expect and deserve. We will continue to focus on water quality and customer service, and work with local leaders to prioritize investment projects to meet community needs.

We have a proven record of delivering high quality water and service 24 hours a day, 365 days a year; making important improvements in the water system; and having qualified customer service, water quality and operations teams ready to serve you. This commitment to service can be seen in **customer satisfaction scores that are consistently over 90%** in annual surveys of our customers that have been conducted by an independent research firm since 2012.



In the 8 years since the last base rate increase, **we have invested over \$13 million in your water system to improve quality, service and reliability** including:

- Replacement of aging water mains, an average of 3,400 feet each year;
- Water main installation to improve resiliency;
- New valves and service lines; and
- New and replacement fire hydrants to maintain and enhance fire protection capabilities, an average of 12 hydrants per year.

Some of these investments are already being recovered through the Water Infrastructure Surcharge (WISC) currently in place, but this application resets the WISC surcharge to zero and adjusts base rates for all customers to fold in the WISC surcharge.

If the rate proposal is approved by the MPUC as submitted, your water bill will increase by a total of 3.4% as of July 1, 2022; however a bill credit made possible through the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 will offset this increase for up to 25 months. Rates will be increased evenly for all customers and customer classes as follows:

Customer Class	Proposed Increase	Bill Credit	First Year Net Bill Increase
Metered Residential	3.4%	(3.4%)	0.0%
Metered Commercial & Public Authorities	3.4%	(3.4%)	0.0%
Metered Industrial	3.4%	(3.4%)	0.0%
Public Fire	3.4%	(3.4%)	0.0%
Private Fire	3.4%	(3.4%)	0.0%

### ***Proposed Net Bill Impact for Typical Residential Use***

<b>Water Usage</b>	<b>Minimum Quarterly Bill (25 gallons per day)</b>	<b>Average Customer Quarterly Bill (100 gallons per day)</b>
Current Quarterly Bill	\$74.10	\$100.92
<b>Proposed Quarterly Bill at Expiration of Bill Credit</b>	\$76.62	\$104.35
<b>Proposed Increase</b>	\$2.52 per quarter 3¢ per day	\$3.43 per quarter 4¢ per day
<b>Proposed % Increase</b>	3.4%	3.4%

**Your water will continue to be delivered to your tap for about a penny a gallon.**

If approved, a 3.4% rate increase will add \$224,471 to annual utility revenue.



#### **You Can Participate in the Rate Application Process**

- You may add your name to the notification list using the Commission's Case Management System (CMS). For information on how to register and use CMS please see the information at the following link: <http://www.maine.gov/mpuc/online>. The case is Docket No. 2022-00056.
- You may petition to intervene in this proceeding. If your petition to intervene is granted, you will be a party with the right to participate formally in the hearings and in negotiations. Your petition must be made in writing using the Commission's electronic CMS. Your petition must state the name and docket number of this proceeding, and the manner in which you are affected by this proceeding. Your petition must also include a short and plain statement of the nature and extent of the participation you seek, and a statement of the nature of the evidence or argument you intend to submit. Your petition must be filed electronically no later than **April 1, 2022**.
- You may appear as a witness if the Commission schedules a public witness hearing. At the public witness hearing, you would have the option of giving your views on the proposed increase under oath.
- The Office of Public Advocate provides guidance on how to participate at the MPUC at [www.maine.gov/meopa/puc-information](http://www.maine.gov/meopa/puc-information) and can be reached at 207-624-3687.

If you would like more information about this proceeding, you may contact the Administrative Director of the Commission (207-287-3831) or visit [www.maine.gov/mpuc](http://www.maine.gov/mpuc). You may also contact Maine Water at 800-287-1643 or visit [www.mainewater.com](http://www.mainewater.com).

**Please contact us at 1-800-287-1643 with  
Questions about the rate application or your water service.**



March 31, 2022

**Re: NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS REGARDING GENERAL RATE PROCEEDING PER CHAPTER 120 PERTAINING TO SUMMIT NATURAL GAS OF MAINE, INC., DOCKET NO. 2022-00025.**

Dear Valued Summit Natural Gas of Maine Customer,

At Summit Natural Gas of Maine (“Summit”), every day we provide safe and reliable natural gas to thousands of Mainers for home heating, hot water, cooking and more. To do that, we must operate, maintain, and continuously improve and invest in more than 300 miles of pipeline while continuing to provide the quality customer service you’ve come to expect from your local natural gas utility company. These are the services that are paid for through our rates. As a valued customer, we are providing this letter to notify you that Summit is seeking approval from the Maine Public Utilities Commission (“MPUC”) for a 7-year alternative rate plan that will increase rates for our Maine customers. The rate plan that was established in 2013 when Summit first began serving communities in Maine is expiring, and we are required by the MPUC to file a new rate plan.

Summit is proposing an effective date of January 1, 2023, for the new rate plan. This will require a submittal to the MPUC no later than March 31, 2022. This March 31 submittal will start a process of approval with the Maine Commission that could span up to 9 months. This process of review and discovery is important to ensure a fair rate plan for all parties involved. Summit also values this process because it is one in which you, the customer, can take part.

The proceeding at the MPUC in which it considers Summit’s proposed rate plan will be a transparent process that includes ample opportunity for public input and participation along the way. Through the proceeding, the MPUC will review Summit’s operations, financial statements, forecasts, and additional information to ultimately determine how much it costs us to serve our customers and how much we need to charge customers to cover these costs.

Over the previous decade Summit has taken great pride in our stellar customer service, the focus we place on growth and expansion, and finally, stable rates for those needing gas supply. While this proposed rate plan will increase rates for our Maine customers, it is paramount to Summit that we remain competitive and cost-effective throughout our service territory. Summit places great importance on our cost-effective, environmentally conscious service and we will continue to do so. We will also continue to focus on growth as this rate plan takes effect, as this ensures a healthy and low-cost ecosystem for all customers and businesses in Maine.

The proposed increase in distribution rates among residential and business customers in year 1 of the rate plan will increase revenues by approximately \$2.8 million. If Summit’s proposal is approved as requested, there will be a 30 percent increase in distribution and service & facility rates. The proposed rate plan would permit annual increases in years 2-7 up to an annual cap of 15 percent, but annual



increases could be less than that cap. Under the proposed plan, the average monthly increases to Summit's distribution and service & facility rates, which do not include the cost of gas itself, would vary for different customer classes, as shown in the table below:

Year 1	Customer Class	Percentage Increase to Base Rates <sup>1</sup>	Average Dollar Increase to Monthly Base Rates Charges
2023	Residential	30%	\$27.28
2023	Small Commercial	30%	\$88.22
2023	Large Commercial	30%	\$623.30

Years 2-7	Customer Class	Allowable Range for Percentage Increase to Base Rates <sup>1</sup>	Range for Average Dollar Increase to Monthly Base Rates Charges
2024	Residential	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$17.71
2025	Residential	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$20.37
2026	Residential	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$23.42
2027	Residential	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$26.93
2028	Residential	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$30.98
2029	Residential	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$35.60
2024	Small Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$57.45
2025	Small Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$65.91
2026	Small Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$75.73
2027	Small Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$87.21
2028	Small Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$100.37
2029	Small Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$115.27
2024	Large Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$405.70
2025	Large Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$464.48
2026	Large Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$535.67
2027	Large Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$616.72
2028	Large Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$707.85
2029	Large Commercial	0% - 15%	\$0.00 - \$814.85

Notes: (1) Percentage Increase to Base Rates includes distribution rates and service & facility charges.



Summit's existing rate plan has been in place since 2013, and as with most companies across Maine, Summit has experienced rising costs for labor, maintenance and goods and services over that time. In an effort to continue to provide safe, reliable service to Maine customers, rates will be adjusted to more accurately reflect the cost of business. These new rates will provide Summit the ability to advance our operations with regard to maintenance, operations and environmental innovation. Summit is seeking fair rates through which we will continue to provide excellent service to the businesses, hospitals, government buildings and residential houses in Maine that have come to rely on us for natural gas service.

We want to remind you that you have a right to participate in this proceeding. Summit customers may participate in this proceeding in any of the ways described below.

1. **You may register** on the Commission's Case Management System ("CMS") to receive a notice whenever a party submits a new filing related to this case (the docket number for the case is 2022-00025). Instructions on how to register and use CMS can be found at: <http://www.maine.gov/mpuc/online/index.shtml>
2. **You may appear as a public witness** at a hearing scheduled by the Commission. At the public witness hearing, you will have the option of giving your views on the proposed increase under oath.
3. **You may petition to intervene as a full party to the proceeding.** If the Commission approves your petition, you will be able to participate in all hearings and negotiations related to the case. Your petition **must be filed with the Commission no later than April 11, 2022**, and it must include 1) the name and docket number of this proceeding; 2) the manner in which you are affected by this proceeding; 3) a short and plain statement of the nature and extent of the participation you seek; and 4) a statement of the nature of the evidence or argument you intend to submit. You may also submit your petition in writing via U.S. mail to: Administrative Director, Maine Public Utilities Commission, 18 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04330-0018.

Petitions to intervene will be ruled on at an initial case conference, which will be scheduled for April 13, 2022, and noticed by the Commission via CMS and which is expected to be conducted online via the Microsoft Teams application. A telephone number will be provided for the use of those persons unable to access the internet.

#### **THE COMMISSION WILL NOT PUBLISH ANY FURTHER NEWSPAPER NOTICES OF THIS PROCEEDING OR ANY HEARINGS**

4. **You may file public comments.** Any person may file comments on this case through the Commission's CMS. Directions for filing public comments can be found at <http://www.maine.gov/mpuc/online/index.shtml>





For more information about this proceeding, you may contact the Administrative Director of the Commission at (207) 287-3831, the Office of the Public Advocate, which represents ratepayers, at (207) 624-3687, or Customer Service at (800) 909-7642.

**If you would like to learn more about this regulatory rate review, please visit our website at [summitnaturalgasmaine.com/rate-case](http://summitnaturalgasmaine.com/rate-case).** There you will find Summit's answers to frequently asked questions, additional rate case documentation and more. You can also call Summit's customer service team at 800-909-7642. We are here to help!

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to be your natural gas provider, and are truly committed to providing you with safe, reliable, and affordable natural gas service. Our proposed alternative rate plan will help us to achieve that goal.



## CENTRAL MAINE POWER

An AVANGRID Company

August 2022

Dear Customer:

We recently submitted a request for a three-year rate plan with the Maine Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") in accordance with Maine law 35-A M.R.S. §§ 301, 307 & 3195 and Chapter 120 of the Commission's Rules. The request is for increases in distribution revenues over three years to support the Company's investment in a stronger, smarter, more resilient grid for Maine, while also supporting important energy policy objectives of the State of Maine. The last change in distribution revenues was approved by the Commission in 2020 and reflected in rates on March 1, 2020.

As proposed, the three-year plan, if approved, will increase the distribution component of the Company's revenues by \$47.7 million effective in summer 2023, \$27.7 million effective in summer 2024, and \$23.4 million effective in summer 2025. As proposed, this translates to a total bill increase of \$5.03 in 2023, an additional increase of \$2.78 in 2024, and additional increase of \$2.33 in 2025 for the average residential customer using 550 kWh of electricity per month. Any eventual revenue increases approved by the Commission will be shared across customer classes and among customers in each class by an allocation method to be determined as a part of this proceeding.

This notice is provided in accordance with Chapter 110 § 8.A.1(c) of the Public Utility Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. You may participate in this proceeding in one of three ways:

1. If you wish to be notified when a filing is made in the case, you may add your name to the case notification list using the Commission's case management system (CMS). For information on how to register and use the Commission's CMS, please access this information at the following web address:  
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3. You may appear as a public witness at a hearing, if a hearing is held, and give your views on the proposed increase. If you wish to request that the Commission hold a hearing, you may file a request through the Commission's CMS or by U.S. mail to the address set forth above. **THE COMMISSION MAY NOT PUBLISH ANY FURTHER NEWSPAPER NOTICES OF THIS PROCEEDING OR ANY HEARINGS.**

If you would like more information about the proceeding you may contact the Administrative Director of the Commission (207.287.3831), the Maine Office of Public Advocate (207.624.3687) or Regulatory Services, Central Maine Power (207.623.3521).

Sincerely,

Peter Cohen  
Vice President, Regulatory

**Email PPRE037 – Customer Communication – Filing of Powering Maine**

**Subject Line:** Customer Notification

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Sincerely,

Peter Cohen  
Vice President, Regulatory

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83 Edison Drive, Augusta, ME 04336



Notice of Proposed Increase in Distribution Rates  
Maine Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 2022-00255

September 27, 2022

Dear Versant Power Customer:

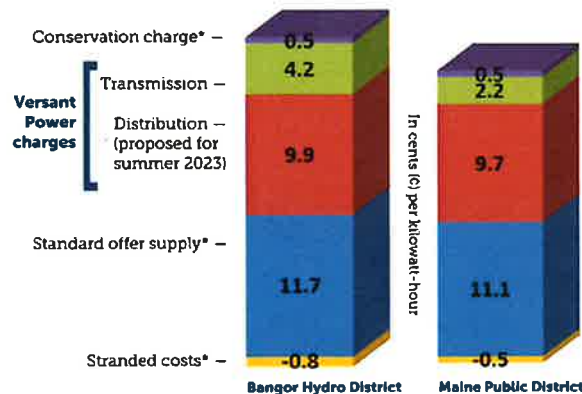
On or after October 3, 2022, Versant Power will file a request with the Maine Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") to increase its distribution rates. Distribution rates are one portion of a customer's overall electricity bill and cover the costs of building, operating, and maintaining the distribution system used to deliver electricity to your home or business. The Commission regulates distribution rates.

Versant Power will request that the new rates go into effect on or around July 1, 2023. If the rate request is granted, a typical residential customer with usage of 500 kWh per month will see an increase of about \$12 per month. A customer using 750 kWh would see a \$17 to \$18 increase, and a customer using 1,000 kWh would see an increase of about \$24. The requested change represents an increase of approximately 10.6% in the total bill of a typical residential customer, and approximately \$34 million in additional annual revenues. Versant Power is not seeking any increase to the rate of return on the investments it makes in the distribution system.

With this rate change, Versant Power plans to: complete major projects, including replacing a metering system which has reached the end of its useful life; continue work to improve the reliability of the distribution system; enhance customer service; retain quality employees in a competitive labor market; and address industry-wide inflationary changes to the costs of materials and labor.

A typical customer's bill reflects a variety of charges and rates, including supply, conservation, and stranded cost rates, that Versant does not set or control. The proposed increase in rates applies only to distribution rates regulated by the Commission and shown in red below:

**Residential rates for Versant Power customers**



\*Versant Power does not set or control supply, conservation or stranded cost charges

**Docket No. 2022-00255**

**Attachment D**

Versant Power will propose that any percentage increase in approved rates be applied equally to the current rates for residential, commercial and industrial customers.

Versant Power recognizes that this rate request comes during a challenging time for our customers. If you need help paying your electric bill, resources may be available. Please visit [www.versantpower.com/residential/programs-and-services/](http://www.versantpower.com/residential/programs-and-services/) to learn more.

You may participate in the distribution proceeding before the Commission in several ways:

1. If you want to be notified when a filing is made in the case or when Commission orders are issued, you may add your name to the case notification list using the Commission's online case management system (CMS). For information on how to register and use the system, please access this information at [www.maine.gov/mpuc/online-services/](http://www.maine.gov/mpuc/online-services/). The case has been assigned Docket No. 2022-00255.
2. You may petition to intervene. If your petition to intervene is granted, you will be a party with the right to participate formally in the case. Your petition may be submitted through the Commission's CMS and must include the name and docket number of this proceeding (2022-00255) as well as the manner in which you are affected by this proceeding. Your petition must also include a short, plain statement of the nature and extent of the participation you seek, and a statement of the nature of the evidence or argument you intend to submit. You may also submit your petition in writing via U.S. mail to the Commission's Administrative Director, Public Utilities Commission, 18 State House Station, Augusta ME 04333-0018. Your petition to intervene must be filed with the Commission no later than October 14, 2022. An initial case conference is scheduled to be held on October 6, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's offices located at 26 Katherine Drive, Hallowell, Maine. Participants may also attend this conference virtually, with access by telephone and by Microsoft Teams (which functions like Zoom). Instructions for participating in the conference will be set in advance in a procedural order in the docket.
3. You may file a public comment. Public comments are filed through CMS by accessing <https://mpuc-cms.maine.gov/CQM.Public.WebUI/Comments/CaseNumberSearch.aspx> and entering the case number (2022-00255). The Commission reviews public comments but comments are not evidence in the proceeding.
4. If the Commission holds a public witness hearing, you may appear as a witness and give your views. If you want to be notified when a public witness hearing is scheduled, you can file a request through the Commission's case management system or by contacting the Commission as set forth below on or before October 14, 2022. If a public witness hearing is scheduled, the Commission will provide notice of the time, date and manner of participation in the docket and a press release.

If you would like more information about this proceeding, you may contact the Administrative Director of the Commission at 207-287-3831, visit [www.maine.gov/mpuc](http://www.maine.gov/mpuc), or contact Versant Power at 207-973-2000 or visit [www.versantpower.com/residential/rates/distribution-rate-request/](http://www.versantpower.com/residential/rates/distribution-rate-request/). In addition, the Office of the Public Advocate provides guidance on how to participate at the Commission at [www.maine.gov/meopa/puc-information](http://www.maine.gov/meopa/puc-information) and can be reached at 207-624-3687.

Sincerely,

/s/ Arielle Silver Karsh

Arielle Silver Karsh

Vice President, Legal and Regulatory Affairs