



ELECTRIC RATE INCREASE Effective July 1, 2015

Peak-Controlled Time of Day Service	Prior Rates	New Rates
Customer charge per month	\$50.00	\$54.20
Firm On-Peak Demand charge per kW—Summer	\$11.75	\$13.02
Firm On-Peak Demand charge per kW—Winter	\$8.05	\$9.02
Controllable Demand charge per kW	\$5.82	\$6.78
Off-Peak Demand charge per kW—Excess	\$2.00	\$2.00
Energy charge per kWh—On-Peak	3.744¢	4.592¢
Energy charge per kWh—Off-Peak	2.297¢	2.417¢
Energy charge credit per kWh over 360 hours	0.766¢	0.953¢

Energy-Controlled Service	Prior Rates	New Rates
Customer charge per month	\$50.00	\$54.20
Firm On-Peak Demand charge per kW—Summer	\$11.75	\$13.02
Firm On-Peak Demand charge per kW—Winter	\$8.05	\$9.02
Controllable Demand charge per kW	\$5.41	\$6.28
Off-Peak Demand charge per kW—Excess	\$2.00	\$2.00
Firm Energy charge per kWh—On-Peak	3.744¢	4.592¢
Firm Energy charge per kWh—Off-Peak	2.297¢	2.417¢
Controllable Energy charge per kWh—On-Peak	3.401¢	4.252¢
Controllable Energy charge per kWh—Off-Peak	2.177¢	2.309¢
Control Period Energy charge per kWh	9.200¢	9.200¢
Energy charge credit per kWh over 360 hours	0.766¢	0.953¢

For More Information

You may examine new rate schedules by visiting our website at xcelenergy.com/Rates (be sure to select South Dakota in the location box in the top right corner). Choose South Dakota Rates, Rights and Service Rules to find the Electric Rate Book. If you have further questions, please contact Xcel Energy at **1-800-895-4999**.



On June 23, 2014, Northern States Power Company, an Xcel Energy company operating in South Dakota, asked the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for permission to increase its incremental overall electricity rates by \$15.6 million or approximately 8.0 percent. The primary reason a rate increase is necessary is to maintain safe and reliable service. Xcel Energy has made significant investments in its generation, transmission and distribution systems to reliably meet the electricity needs of its South Dakota customers. The Company has been authorized by the SDPUC to increase overall electric rates by approximately 3.6 percent or \$6.9 million, effective July 1, 2015.

Also, the Company has been authorized to update the Infrastructure Rider tariff to recover an additional \$0.9 million or about 0.4 percent, for the cost of certain capital projects, including true-ups and credits from prior rider collections.

Combined, the authorized increase in base rates and infrastructure rider is \$7.8 million or approximately 4.0 percent. A moratorium on base rate increases is in effect until January 1, 2018.

As allowable by South Dakota law, future incremental property taxes not otherwise included in base rates, will be recovered through the fuel clause rider.

The actual impact of the requested base rate increase on an individual customer's bills will vary depending on the customer's rate class and amount of energy use. As a result of the change in base rates and infrastructure rider, a typical residential customer using an average of 750 kilowatt-hours (kWh) of energy each month will see an increase of approximately \$3.19 per month (from \$86.84 to \$90.02) based on average rates.

State law allowed Xcel Energy to collect an interim (temporary) rate increase while the Commission considered the rate request. The incremental interim increase of \$15.6 million annually began on January 1, 2015. Since the final rate increase is less than the interim rate increase, Xcel Energy will refund the difference, with interest, on August or September bills. The average residential customer's interim refund will be approximately \$26.91.

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A sample of some of the new rates which became effective with service rendered on and after July 1, 2015 is shown below. The first bill you receive may be prorated, depending on your meter reading date. This means that any service provided prior to July 1, 2015, will be billed at the old rates, and any service provided on and after July 1, 2015 will be billed at the new rates.

Residential Service – Average Month Bill Example

Usage (kWh)	Prior Rates	New Rates*	Amount of Increase	Percent Increase
400	\$50.16	\$52.18	\$2.02	4.02%
500	\$60.64	\$63.16	\$2.52	4.16%
600	\$71.12	\$74.14	\$3.02	4.25%
750	\$86.84	\$90.62	\$3.78	4.35%
1000	\$113.03	\$118.07	\$5.04	4.46%
2000	\$216.14	\$226.11	\$9.97	4.61%

*Includes Base Rate and Infrastructure Rider.

Fuel charge per kWh—varies monthly	2.844¢	2.844¢
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Residential Service Prior Rates New Rates

Customer charge per month—overhead service	\$8.25	\$8.25
Customer charge per month—underground service	\$10.25	\$10.25
Energy charge per kWh—Summer	8.161¢	9.071¢
Energy charge per kWh—Winter 0-1000 kWh	6.641¢	7.503¢
Energy charge per kWh—Winter excess kWh	6.389¢	7.235¢
Energy charge per kWh—Winter Sp. Htg. excess kWh	4.166¢	4.803¢

Residential Time of Day Service Prior Rates New Rates

Customer charge per month—overhead service	\$10.25	\$10.25
Customer charge per month—underground service	\$12.25	\$12.25
Energy charge per kWh—Summer On-Peak	17.235¢	18.939¢
Energy charge per kWh—Winter On-Peak	13.155¢	14.704¢
Energy charge per kWh—Winter Sp. Htg. On-Peak	10.762¢	12.444¢
Energy charge per kWh—Off-Peak	2.540¢	3.010¢

Residential Heat Pump Service Prior Rates New Rates

Customer charge per month	\$3.05	\$3.05
Energy charge per kWh—Summer	6.522¢	7.281¢
Energy charge per kWh—Winter	4.060¢	4.678¢

Energy Controlled Non-Demand Service Prior Rates New Rates

Customer charge per month	\$3.05	\$3.05
Energy charge per kWh—Standard	3.486¢	4.018¢

Limited Off-Peak Service Prior Rates New Rates

Customer charge per month	\$3.05	\$3.05
Customer charge per month—3 phase	\$5.15	\$5.15
Customer charge per month—primary voltage	\$25.00	\$25.00
Energy charge per kWh—Off-Peak	2.340¢	2.770¢

Small General Service Prior Rates New Rates

Customer charge per month	\$9.00	\$9.00
Energy charge per kWh—Summer	7.586¢	8.429¢
Energy charge per kWh—Winter	6.066¢	6.861¢

Small General TOD Service Prior Rates New Rates

Customer charge per month	\$11.00	\$11.00
Energy charge per kWh—Summer On-Peak	13.345¢	14.689¢
Energy charge per kWh—Winter On-Peak	10.090¢	11.310¢
Energy charge per kWh—Off-Peak	2.540¢	3.010¢

General Service Prior Rates New Rates

Customer charge per month	\$21.00	\$22.20
Demand charge per kW—Summer	\$11.75	\$13.02
Demand charge per kW—Winter	\$8.05	\$9.02
Energy charge per kWh	2.910¢	3.411¢
Energy charge credit per kWh over 360 hours	0.766¢	0.953¢

General Time of Day Service Prior Rates New Rates

Customer charge per month	\$24.00	\$25.20
On-Peak Demand charge per kW—Summer	\$11.75	\$13.02
On-Peak Demand charge per kW—Winter	\$8.05	\$9.02
Off-Peak Demand charge per kW—Excess	\$2.00	\$2.00
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