The following actions should be considered to protect your water lines during the cold weather months:

- Repair broken windows and ensure eaves/attics are closed during the winter.
- Insulate water pipes in unheated areas, including crawl spaces.
- For sites located against a non-insulated outside wall:
  - Open the only door to allow warm air to reach the water pipes.
  - A trip line placed near the water pipe may genstake enough heat to keep the water flowing.
- Keep heater vents unobstructed so the pipe may keep the pipe from freezing.
- A radiant of mobile homes should check the condition of the heat tape on their water service and water meter.
- If a heated overflow water main with an insulated box and water pipes should be expected in utilization using heat tapes.

### COMMUNITY ACTION LAB

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And also learn more about the Community Action Lab.

### GAS, ELECTRIC, WIND ENERGY RATES OF TRANSITION

**March 2023**

| City of Medicine Hat - Regulated non-contract | $5.218 |
| City of Medicine Hat - Regulated Rate Option Stability Act through Bill 2: Inflation Relief Act, 2022 (the RRO) | $6.607 |
| City of Medicine Hat - RRO (the price for the forecasted volume) | $4.336 |

The January variable contract offering is based on the AECO (Alberta Energy Company) average market reference price plus $1.00 per GJ. The rate for February will be released March 1, 2023.

### Electricity - Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Businesses

The February electricity default regulated rate (RRO) for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial, Unmetered Services and Rental Lighting Customers is based on the Monthly Average Alberta Power Pool (MAPP) price for the forecasted volume.

### Electricity - Large Commercial, Industrial and Street Lighting Customers

The February electricity default regulated rate (RRO) for Large Commercial, Industrial and Street Lighting Customers is based on the Monthly Average Alberta Power Pool (MAPP) price for the forecasted volume.

### Electric Outages

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