



# Utility Rates

February 1, 2019

## RESIDENTIAL UTILITY RATES

### ELECTRIC

|            |   |                   |
|------------|---|-------------------|
|            | "E" / "N" - Effective February 1, 2019                              |                   |
| <b>1.1</b> | <b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b>  |                   |
|            | Service Charge  | \$0.38770 per day |
|            | Administration Charge   | \$0.12470 per day |
|            | Energy Charge   | \$0.06800 per kWh |
|            | Environmental Conservation Charge                                   | \$0.00740 per kWh |
|            | - additional charge for energy in excess of 950 kWhs                |                   |
|            | Facilities Usage  | \$0.01980 per kWh |
|            | Capacity Charge   | \$0.02285 per kWh |
|            | Going Green Charge  | \$0.00050 per kWh |
|            | MCAF* fixed   | \$0.01395 per day |
|            | MCAF* variable  | \$0.00071 per kWh |
|            | Energy Charge: Fixed Rate Option                                    | \$0.06800 per kWh |
| <b>E</b>   | <i>Within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat</i>  |                   |
| <b>N</b>   | <i>Outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat</i> |                   |

### NATURAL GAS

|                              |   |                   |
|------------------------------|---|-------------------|
|                              | Effective February 1, 2019                                  |                   |
| <b>G11A, G12A &amp; G13A</b> | <b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b>                                |                   |
|                              | Service Charge  | \$0.7190 per day  |
|                              | Administration Charge                                       | \$0.1163 per day  |
|                              | Commodity Charge  | \$2.1585 per GJ   |
|                              | Environmental Conservation Charge                           | \$1.0100 per GJ   |
|                              | - additional charge for energy in excess of 19 GJ per month |                   |
|                              | Delivery Charge   | \$1.32300 per GJ  |
|                              | Carbon Levy   | \$1.51700 per GJ  |
|                              | MCAF* fixed   | \$0.02876 per day |
|                              | MCAF* variable  | \$0.05292 per GJ  |
|                              | Commodity Charge: Fixed Rate Option                         | \$5.80 per GJ     |

### WATER

|            |                                  |                  |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
|            | Effective January 1, 2019        |                  |
| <b>W10</b> | <b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b>     |                  |
| <b>W18</b> | Seasonal Service                 |                  |
| <b>W40</b> | Apartments/ Multi-Unit Dwellings |                  |
|            | Base rate                        | \$0.8981 per day |
|            | In addition to the base rate:    |                  |
|            | Consumption                      | \$1.0971 per m3  |

The conversion factor between imperial and metric measurement is 1 m3 = 219.97 imperial gallons

### SOLID WASTE

|             |                                      |                       |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
|             | Effective January 1, 2019            |                       |
| <b>SW11</b> | <b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b>         |                       |
|             | Service Charge                       | \$0.5328 per day/unit |
| <b>SW31</b> | <b>WASTE DIVERSION</b>               |                       |
|             | Service Charge                       | \$0.0777 per day      |
| <b>SW41</b> | <b>RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING PROGRAM</b> |                       |
|             |                                      | \$0.2137 per day      |

### SEWER

|            |                              |                  |
|------------|------------------------------|------------------|
|            | Effective January 1, 2019    |                  |
| <b>S10</b> | <b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b> |                  |
|            | Service Charge               | \$1.4365 per day |

### MEDICINE HAT WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY (LANDFILL)

|  |                           |                    |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------|
|  | Effective January 1, 2019 |                    |
|  | Minimum Tipping Fee       | \$8.00 per vehicle |

\*MCAF: Municipal Consent & Access Fee applies to Medicine Hat rates only

# OTHER UTILITY RATES

## ELECTRIC

| "E" / "N" - Effective February 1, 2019    |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| <b>2.1 FARM SERVICES</b>                  |                   |
| Service Charge                            | \$0.57640 per day |
| Administration Charge                     | \$0.14340 per day |
| Energy Charge                             | \$0.06800 per kWh |
| Facilities Usage                          | \$0.00900 per kWh |
| Capacity Charge                           | \$0.02285 per kWh |
| Going Green Charge                        | \$0.00050 per kWh |
| MCAF* fixed                               | \$0.02075 per day |
| MCAF* variable                            | \$0.00032 per kWh |
| <b>3.1 SMALL COMMERCIAL</b>               |                   |
| Service Charge                            | \$0.57520 per day |
| Administration Charge                     | \$0.14780 per day |
| Energy Charge                             | \$0.06800 per kWh |
| Facilities Usage                          | \$0.01840 per kWh |
| Capacity Charge                           | \$0.02285 per kWh |
| Going Green Charge                        | \$0.00050 per kWh |
| MCAF* fixed                               | \$0.02070 per day |
| MCAF* variable                            | \$0.00066 per kWh |
| <b>3.2 COMMERCIAL TEMPORARY SERVICES</b>  |                   |
| Same rate as 3.1                          |                   |
| <b>3.3 MEDIUM COMMERCIAL</b>              |                   |
| Service Charge                            | \$2.42630 per day |
| Administration Charge                     | \$1.19380 per day |
| Demand Charge                             | \$4.94000 per kva |
| Energy Charge                             | \$0.06800 per kWh |
| Capacity Charge                           | \$0.02285 per kWh |
| Going Green Charge                        | \$0.00050 per kWh |
| MCAF* fixed                               | \$0.08734 per day |
| MCAF* variable                            | \$0.17784 per kva |
| <b>3.4 COMMERCIAL TEMPORARY SERVICES</b>  |                   |
| Same rate as 3.3                          |                   |
| <b>3.5 COMMERCIAL IRRIGATION SERVICES</b> |                   |
| Same rate as 3.1                          |                   |
| <b>3.6 COMMERCIAL IRRIGATION SERVICES</b> |                   |
| Same rate as 3.3                          |                   |
| <b>4.1 LARGE COMMERCIAL – PRIMARY</b>     |                   |
| Service Charge                            | \$2.34840 per day |
| Administration Charge                     | \$13.4963 per day |
| Demand Charge                             | \$4.44000 per kva |
| Energy Charge (Jan)                       | \$0.05783 per kWh |
| Capacity Charge                           | \$0.02285 per kWh |
| MCAF* fixed                               | \$0.08454 per day |
| MCAF* variable                            | \$0.15984 per kva |
| <b>5.1 INDUSTRIAL - PRIMARY</b>           |                   |
| Service Charge                            | \$2.27700 per day |
| Administration Charge                     | \$63.5481 per day |
| Demand Charge                             | \$4.40000 per kva |
| Energy Charge (Jan)                       | \$0.05783 per kWh |
| Capacity Charge                           | \$0.02285 per kWh |
| MCAF* fixed                               | \$0.08197 per day |
| MCAF* variable                            | \$0.15840 per kva |

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| 6.1 UNMETERED SERVICE        |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Service Charge               | \$0.27380 per day   |
| Administration Charge        | \$0.19250 per day   |
| Energy Charge                | \$0.06800 per kWh   |
| Facilities Usage             | \$0.01130 per kWh   |
| Capacity Charge              | \$0.02285 per kWh   |
| MCAF* fixed                  | \$0.00985 per day   |
| MCAF* variable               | \$0.00040 per kWh   |
| 7.0 RENTAL LIGHTING SERVICES |   |
| Service Charge               | \$0.16150 per day   |
| Administration Charge        | \$0.12640 per day   |
| Energy Charge                | \$0.06800 per kWh   |
| Facilities Usage             | \$0.00800 per kWh   |
| Capacity Charge              | \$0.02285 per kWh   |
| MCAF* fixed                  | \$0.00581 per day   |
| MCAF* variable               | \$0.00028 per kWh   |
| 8.0 STREET LIGHTING SERVICES |   |
| Service Charge               | \$0.15180 per day   |
| Administration Charge        | \$0.01550 per day   |
| Energy Charge (Jan)          | \$0.05783 per kWh   |
| Facilities Usage             | \$0.00730 per kWh   |
| Capacity Charge              | \$0.02285 per kWh   |
| MCAF* fixed                  | \$0.00546 per day   |
| MCAF* variable               | \$0.00026 per kWh   |
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## NATURAL GAS

| Effective February 1, 2019   |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| <b>G31A, G32A &amp; G33A</b> | <b>COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER</b>    |
| <b>G41A &amp; G42A</b>       | <b>NON-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE CLASS A</b> |
| Service Charge               | \$0.71900 per day                           |
| Administration Charge        | \$0.11630 per day                           |
| Commodity Charge             | \$2.15850 per GJ                            |
| Delivery Charge              | \$1.32300 per GJ                            |
| Carbon Levy                  | \$1.51700 per GJ                            |
| MCAF* fixed                  | \$0.02876 per day                           |
| MCAF* variable               | \$0.05292 per GJ                            |
| <b>G31B, G32B &amp; G33B</b> | <b>COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER</b>    |
| <b>G41B &amp; G42B</b>       | <b>NON-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE CLASS B</b> |
| Service Charge               | \$17.5400 per day                           |
| Administration Charge        | \$3.40530 per day                           |
| Commodity Charge             | \$2.15850 per GJ                            |
| Delivery Charge              | \$0.60300 per GJ                            |
| Carbon Levy                  | \$1.51700 per GJ                            |
| MCAF* fixed                  | \$0.70160 per day                           |
| MCAF* variable               | \$0.02412 per GJ                            |

## WATER

| Effective January 1, 2019  |  |                             |
|--|--|-----------------------------|
| <b>COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS</b>   |  |                             |
|  | Base rate                                    | \$0.8981 per day            |
|  | In addition to the base rate:                |                             |
|  | Consumption                                  |                             |
| <b>W18</b>   | Seasonal Service                             | \$1.0971 per m3             |
| <b>W20</b>   | Commercial Water rate                        | \$1.0971 per m3             |
| <b>W30</b>   | Agricultural (Greenhouse)                    | \$1.0971 per m3             |
| <b>W50</b>   | Manufacturing                                | \$1.0971 per m3             |
| <b>W60</b>   | Schools                                      | \$1.0971 per m3             |
| <b>W70</b>   | Institutional facilities                     | \$1.0971 per m3             |
|  | (Hospital, assisted living / long term care) |                             |
| <b>W24</b>   | Temporary Water Use                          |                             |
|  | Flat Rate                                    | \$2.0061 per day            |
| <b>W31</b>   | Aquifer                                      |                             |
|  | Consumption                                  | \$0.3668 per m3             |
| <i>The conversion factor between imperial and metric measurement is 1 m3 = 219.97 imperial gallons</i> |  |                             |
| <b>FH-90</b>   | Fire Hydrants (Private or Rental)            |                             |
|  | Per Hydrant                                  | \$0.5651 per day            |
| <b>SP02-SP12</b>   | Fire Sprinkler Systems                       |                             |
|  | 2 inch up to 12 inch line                    | \$0.3071 - \$0.9560 per day |

## SEWER

| Effective January 1, 2019   |  |                 |
|---|--|-----------------|
| <b>S12</b>  | <b>COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS</b> |                 |
|   | Minimum daily charge                     | \$1.4365        |
|   | Based on water consumption               | \$1.5005 per m3 |
| <i>Commercial sewer charges are based on metered water consumption.</i> |  |                 |
| <i>Minimum monthly billing is the daily service charge.</i>             |  |                 |

## SOLID WASTE

| Effective January 1, 2019 |  |                          |
|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| <b>SW12</b>               | <b>CENTRALIZED PICKUP</b>                  |                          |
|                           | Daily Charge                               | \$0.4471 per unit/day    |
| <b>SW13</b>               | <b>COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL – AUTOMATED</b> |                          |
|                           | Automated cart; 1 pick-up per week         | \$0.8275 per day         |
| <b>SW1.5</b>              | Commercial 1.5 Cubic Yard Bin              |                          |
|                           | 1 pick-up per week                         | \$1.6697 per bin /day    |
| <b>SW3.0</b>              | Commercial 3 Cubic Yard Bin                |                          |
|                           | 1 pick-up per week                         | \$3.3395 per bin/ day    |
|                           | Extra Pick up Request                      |                          |
|                           | Each request                               | \$25.40 per bin/ pick up |
| <b>SW31</b>               | <b>WASTE DIVERSION</b>                     |                          |
|                           | Service Charge                             | \$0.0777 per day         |
| <b>SW14</b>               | Commercial Cardboard                       | \$1.0060 per day         |
|                           | 3 cubic yard bin; 1 pick-up per week       |                          |
| <b>SW97</b>               | Commercial Cardboard - Call in basis       |                          |
|                           | Call in or extra pick up request           | \$10.40 per pick up      |

## MEDICINE HAT WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY (LANDFILL)

| Effective January 1, 2019 |  |  |
|---------------------------|--|--|
|                           | Basic Sanitary waste (General Disposal Fee)    | \$80.00 per tonne                      |
|                           | Non-residential Yard waste                     | \$25.00 per tonne                      |
|                           | Clean Drywall                                  | \$25.00 per tonne                      |
|                           | Clean Wood                                     | \$25.00 per tonne                      |
|                           | Metal  | \$25.00 per tonne                      |
|                           | Appliances Containing Chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) | \$20.00 per item                       |
|                           | Asbestos                                       | \$160/tonne plus site prep and burial* |
|                           | Bulky Items (mattress, sofa, etc)              | \$15.00 /item                          |

# UNDERSTANDING YOUR UTILITY STATEMENT CHARGES

The Utility Statement provides a summary section with the total charge for each service, as well as a detailed section that breaks out each Utility's charges.

## Service Charge (All Utilities):

A monthly charge associated with providing and maintaining utility service to a location. This charge includes installation and maintenance of wires, transformers, pipes, property taxes, buildings, vehicles and staff.

## Energy Conservation Charge (Electric and Gas):

Additional charge in excess of 950 kWhs and/or 19GJ used per month. The money generated from the Energy Conservation Charge will fund renewable energy, resource conservation and education projects / programs.

## ELECTRIC UTILITY

### Administration Charge:

Covers costs of administering customer accounts including meter reading, billing, customer collections and customer inquiries. Also includes the cost of energy lost in distribution system lines.

### Energy Charge:

This charge covers the value of electricity used by the customer measured in kilowatt hours (kWh's).

### Facilities Usage (per kWh):

Customers are charged a fee for accessing the infrastructure or equipment of the Electric Utility to have electricity delivered. This charge covers the cost of emergency call-outs, facility and wire repairs, unscheduled maintenance of customer meters, customer locates, vehicle fuel and maintenance costs.

### Capacity Charge:

Contributes to the cost of generating capacity to supply CMH service area customers.

### Going Green:

Monthly fee for the purchase of wind generated electricity.

### Kilowatt Hour (kWh):

A quantitative measure of electric current flow equivalent to 1,000 watts being used continuously for a period of one hour.

### Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)

Your distributor pays a fee to the local government to use municipal land for power lines and substations or gas pipeline and infrastructure. The fee also gives your distributor the right to provide electricity or gas to your municipality and covers municipal taxes on property and land. The fee is shared by all customers in your municipality. Each local government sets the fee based on provincial law. Applies to Medicine Hat rates only.

### Carbon Levy

The carbon levy is a key part of the Climate Leadership Plan, Alberta's action plan on climate change. Pricing carbon pollution is the most cost-effective way to reduce the emissions that cause climate change. The carbon levy will be included in the price of all fuels that emit greenhouse gases when combusted. These include transportation and heating fuels such as diesel, gasoline, natural gas and propane. It will not apply directly to consumer purchases of electricity.

## GAS UTILITY

### Administration Charge:

Covers costs of administering customer accounts including billing, customer collections and customer inquiries. Also includes the cost of getting the gas (transportation fees) to the City's local distribution system and fees for gas storage.

### What are gas transportation fees?

These fees are to get the gas from where it originates (this can be hundreds of kilometers away from the City of Medicine Hat) to the City's distribution system (pipes).

### What are gas storage fees:

These are costs for the City to use a storage facility near Jenner, Alberta. In the summer months the City puts gas into storage to be saved for use in the winter months by our gas customers.

**Commodity Charge:** This charge covers the value of the natural gas used by a customer measured in gigajoules (GJ).

### Delivery Charge (per GJ):

Covers costs of emergency call-outs, facility and pipeline repairs, unscheduled maintenance of customer meters, customer locates, maintenance of odorant facilities, vehicle fuel and maintenance costs.

### Gigajoule (GJ):

One gigajoule (GJ) equals one billion joules (J). A gigajoule of natural gas is about 25.5 cubic metres at standard conditions. One gigajoule of natural gas is equal to 27 litres of fuel oil, 39 litres of propane, 26 litres of gasoline or 277 kilowatt hours of electricity.

## ENVIRONMENTAL UTILITIES

### Commodity Charge:

This charge covers the value of water used by the customer measured in cubic metres (m3)

### Residential Recycling Collection:

Covers the costs that are associated with the collection of recyclable material from residential customers. This includes supplying and maintaining the residential recycling carts and other administrative costs.

### Waste Diversion:

Covers the costs that are associated with the various City waste diversion programs such as depot recycling, yard waste collections, composting, electronic waste recycling, household hazardous waste recycling, paint recycling, tire recycling, used oil recycling, appliance recycling, battery recycling and compact fluorescent lights recycling.

### Cubic Metres (m3):

A metric unit of volume or capacity equal to 1000 litres.

# CUSTOMER INFORMATION

For more information and frequently asked questions, visit [www.medicinehat.ca](http://www.medicinehat.ca)

Information contained herein is for convenience only and is not a legal document. For verification, copies of the bylaws are available at the City Clerk Department in City Hall.

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Customer Service (Finance Department)  
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Medicine Hat, AB T1A 8E6

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Services supplied are ELECTRIC, GAS, WATER, WASTE DIVERSION, SEWER, AND SOLID WASTE (GARBAGE).

## METHODS OF PAYMENT

- Automated Bank Withdrawal (Electronic Funds Transfer) on actual balance or budget billing
- Telebanking
- Internet Banking
- In person at City Hall with cash, Interac or cheque
- By mail: City of Medicine Hat, 580 First St. SE, Medicine Hat, AB T1A 8E6
- At the Night Depository Box located at the west entrance City Hall

## MOVING

Please contact Customer Service at City Hall (529-8111) at least two working days prior to moving.

## TERMS OF PAYMENT

Total amount of Utility Statement is due and payable seven days after the statement date. Payment of current charges not received by the City by the Penalty Date will be subject to a penalty in accordance with City Bylaws. Failure to receive or loss of a Utility Statement cannot be accepted as a reason for non-payment or exemption from a penalty charge.

## UTILITY EMERGENCIES

For **AFTER HOURS** utility **EMERGENCIES** call:

Electric: 403.529.8260

Gas: 403.529.8191

Water / Sewer: 403.502.8042