



Friday, December 7, 2018

Members of Barrow Utilities and Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Dear Member:

Attached are notices of the **proposed tariff adjustments** for the Electric, Natural Gas, Potable Water, and Nonpotable Water utility divisions and the proposed tariff schedules. This tariff change does not affect the BUS Water or Sewer rates which are set by the North Slope Borough. This proposed adjustment would affect approximately the following number of accounts:

<i>Utility Division</i>	<i>Residential Accts</i>	<i>Commercial Accts.</i>	<i>Co-op-use Accts.</i>
<i>Electric</i>	1530	402	105
<i>Natural Gas</i>	1200	203	21
<i>Potable Water</i>	0	6	1
<i>Nonpotable Water</i>	0	1	1

**Electric:** The adjustment in dollars and percentage is listed in the attached tariff adjustment notice by rate class. The average residential member will experience an increase of \$8.33 per month or 6% in their monthly bill, which includes access charge and usage rate adjustments - less than a penny per kWh. This represents an increase in overall nonpotable water revenue to the Cooperative of 4.5%.

**Natural Gas:** The adjustment in dollars and percentage is listed in the attached tariff adjustment notice by rate class. The average residential member will experience an increase of \$8.90 per month or 12% in their monthly bill, which includes usage rate adjustment only 6 cents per CCF. This represents an increase in overall nonpotable water revenue to the Cooperative of 12%.

**Potable Water:** The adjustment in dollars and percentage is listed in the attached tariff adjustment notice by rate class. This represents an increase in potable water revenue to the Cooperative of 2.5%.

**Nonpotable Water:** The adjustment in dollars and percentage is listed in the attached tariff adjustment notice by rate class. This represents an increase in nonpotable water revenue to the Cooperative of 10%.

As stated on the notice, the Board of Directors of Barrow Utilities & Electric Coop., Inc. (BUECI) will accept written statements of “interest in” or “objection to” the above proposed tariff change until December 31, 2018. Your comments will be appreciated and reviewed by the Board of Directors prior to making any formal change to the tariffs. Written statements can be mailed to BUECI, Attn: BUECI Board, PO Box 449, Barrow, Alaska 99723, or delivered in person to Wendy Battle, Executive Assistant, at 1295 Agvik Street, Barrow, AK 99723. **There will also be an information meeting at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, January 28, 2019, at the City of Utqiagvik, Council Chambers.**

Respectfully,  
Barrow Utilities and Electric Coop., Inc.

Price E. Brower  
Board President



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 Utqiagvik (Barrow), Alaska 99723

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MEMBERS OF BARROW UTILITIES & ELECTRIC COOP., INC.

ELECTRIC TARIFF ADJUSTMENT

The Board of Directors of Barrow Utilities & Electric Coop., Inc. is planning to adjust the **Electric tariff rates effective for billings issued 1/29/2019**. The adjustment (increase) is required to maintain adequate funds for:

- Replacement of electric generation equipment, switchgear replacement
- Operations and maintenance of the electric distribution system
- Provide for capital credit revolving refunds

<u>Description of Service</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>		<u>Proposed Rates</u>	
	<u>Access Charge</u>	<u>Usage (kwh) Charge</u>	<u>Access Charge</u>	<u>Usage (kwh) Charge</u>
Single Phase (includes residential)	\$20.00	\$0.1225	\$25.00	\$0.1262
Three Phase (includes large power)	130.00	0.1251	170.00	0.1251 (no usage change)
<u>Special Contract</u>				
NSB Gas Fields	1,000.00	0.0984	1,300.00	0.1014
NSBSD C/O Annex	2,246.40	0.0968	2,313.79	0.0997
ASNA/PHS	2,246.40	0.0959	2,313.79	0.0988
USAF/Dew Site	5,073.84	0.1167	5,226.06	0.1202
Street Lights	16.00	N/A	17.00	N/A

The changes represent an adjustment of a four and a half percent (4.5%) increase to electric revenue for 2019. The proposed adjustments would affect approximately 1,530 residential, 402 commercial accounts, and 105 cooperative-use accounts.

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NATURAL GAS TARIFF ADJUSTMENT

The Board of Directors of Barrow Utilities & Electric Coop., Inc. is planning to adjust the **Natural Gas tariff rates effective for billings issued 1/29/2019**. The adjustment (increase) is required to maintain adequate funds for:

- Operations and maintenance of the natural gas distribution system
- Capital Expenditures for the natural gas distribution system
- Provide for capital credit revolving refunds

<u>Description of Service</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>		<u>Proposed Rates</u>	
	<u>Access Charge</u>	<u>Usage (CCF) Charge</u>	<u>Access Charge</u>	<u>Usage (CCF) Charge</u>
<u>All Customers, Rates G1-G9</u>	\$22.84		\$25.58	
0-55 CCF		-		-
56-all additional CCF		\$0.3293		\$0.3688

The changes represent an adjustment of a twelve percent (12%) increase to natural gas revenue for 2019. The proposed adjustments would affect approximately 1,200 residential, 203 commercial accounts, and 21 cooperative-use accounts.

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POTABLE TARIFF ADJUSTMENT

The Board of Directors of Barrow Utilities & Electric Coop., Inc. is planning to adjust the **Potable Water tariff rates effective for billings issued 1/29/2019**. The adjustment (increase) is due to rising costs and fluctuations in volume sold related to Potable water for operations and maintenance of the Potable water production system.

<u>Description of Service</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>		<u>Proposed Rates</u>	
	<u>Access Charge</u>	<u>Usage (gallon) Charge</u>	<u>Access Charge</u>	<u>Usage (gallon) Charge</u>
Potable Water	N/A	\$0.0470	N/A	\$0.0482

This represents an adjustment of \$0.0012 per gallon or two and a half percent (2.5%). *Note: All charges in dollars (\$).*

This rate change would affect approximately six (6) commercial account and one (1) cooperative use account.

This rate change would not affect the tariff set for BUS Water accounts or water rates as those rates are set by the North Slope Borough.

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NONPOTABLE TARIFF ADJUSTMENT

The Board of Directors of Barrow Utilities & Electric Coop., Inc. is planning to adjust the **Nonpotable Water tariff rates effective for billings issued 1/29/2019**. The adjustment (increase) is due to rising costs and fluctuations in volume sold related to Nonpotable water for operations and maintenance of the Nonpotable water production system.

<u>Description of Service</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>		<u>Proposed Rates</u>	
	<u>Access Charge</u>	<u>Usage (gallon) Charge</u>	<u>Access Charge</u>	<u>Usage (gallon) Charge</u>
Nonpotable Water	N/A	\$0.076	N/A	\$0.0836

This represents an adjustment of \$0.0076 per gallon or ten percent (10%). *Note: All charges in dollars (\$).*

This rate change would affect approximately one (1) commercial account and one (1) cooperative use account.

This rate change would not affect the tariff set for BUS Water accounts or water rates as those rates are set by the North Slope Borough.

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**Summary of Tariff Rates**  
as Proposed with effective date 1/29/2018

<b>ELECTRIC</b> <i>(Effective May 28, 2018)</i>	Rate Code	CURRENT		PROPOSED					
		Access Charge	Usage Charge (kwh)	Access Charge			Usage Charge		
				Proposed	Change (\$)	Change (%)	Proposed	Change (\$)	Change (%)
Single Phase (Residential & Commercial)	E1,2,4,9	\$ 20.00	\$ 0.1225	\$ 25.00	\$ 5.00	25%	\$ 0.1262	\$ 0.0037	3.0%
Three Phase (Commercial & Large Users)	E3,5,99	\$ 130.00	\$ 0.1251	\$ 170.00	\$ 40.00	31%	\$ 0.1251	N/A	N/A no change
Primary Metering									
UIC/NARL (INACTIVE)	E7	\$ 2,791.80	\$ 0.0998	\$ 2,791.80	\$ -	0%	\$ 0.0998	\$ -	3.0%
NSB Gas Fields (41523)	E10	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.0984	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 300.00	30%	\$ 0.1014	\$ 0.0030	3.0%
NSBSD, C/O Annex	E8	\$ 2,246.40	\$ 0.0968	\$ 2,313.79	\$ 67.39	3%	\$ 0.0997	\$ 0.0029	3.0%
ASNA/PHS	E11	\$ 2,246.40	\$ 0.0959	\$ 2,313.79	\$ 67.39	3%	\$ 0.0988	\$ 0.0029	3.0%
USAF/DEW Site	E12	\$ 5,073.84	\$ 0.1167	\$ 5,226.06	\$ 152.22	3%	\$ 0.1202	\$ 0.0035	3.0%
Street Lights	E6	\$ 16.00		\$ 17.00	\$ 1.00	6%		N/A	N/A
New Electric Service		\$ 125.00		\$ 125.00		no change			
Temporary Electric Service		\$ 160.00		\$ 160.00		no change			
Connect/Service Name Change Fee		\$ 35.00		\$ 35.00		no change			
Discount Allowed		10%		10%		no change			
<b>NATURAL GAS</b> <i>(Effective February 28, 2015)</i>	Rate Code	CURRENT		PROPOSED					
All Customers	G1-G9	\$ 22.84		Access Charge			Usage Charge		
				Proposed	Change (\$)	Change (%)	Proposed	Change (\$)	Change (%)
0-55 CCF			\$ -				\$ -		
56-all additional CCF			\$ 0.3293				\$ 0.3688	\$ 0.0395	12.0%
New Gas Service		\$ 250.00		\$ 250.00		no change			
Temporary Gas Service		\$ 285.00		\$ 285.00		no change			
Connect/Service Name Change Fee		\$ 35.00		\$ 35.00		no change			
Discount Allowed		10%		10%		no change			
<b>POTABLE WATER</b> <i>(Effective March 28, 2016)</i>	Rate Code	CURRENT		PROPOSED					
Pipeline Customers	P2	\$ -	\$ 0.0470	Access Charge			Usage Charge		
				Proposed	Change (\$)	Change (%)	Proposed	Change (\$)	Change (%)
Potable Haulers	P1,8	\$ 206.25	\$ 0.0470	\$ 206.25		no change	\$ 0.0482	\$ 0.0012	2.50%
Discount Allowed		10%		10%		no change			
Fire Protection	Fixed Fee	\$ 609.00	\$ -	\$ 609.00		no change			no change
<b>NON-POTABLE WATER</b> <i>(Effective May 28, 2018)</i>	Rate Code	CURRENT		PROPOSED					
Nonpotable Water	N1-4	\$ -	\$ 0.0760	Access Charge			Usage Charge		
				Proposed	Change (\$)	Change (%)	Proposed	Change (\$)	Change (%)
Discount Allowed		10%		10%		no change			
<b>BUS WATER (A)</b> <i>(Effective October, 2001)</i>	Rate Code	Access Charge	Usage Charge						
Residential/Non-Senior	P3	\$ 55.00							
0-3000 Gallons			\$ -						
over 3000 Gallons			\$ 0.0200						
Residential/Senior (age 60+)	P10	\$ 11.00							
0-3000 Gallons			\$ -						
over 3000 Gallons			\$ 0.0200						
All Others	P4,5,6,9	\$ -	\$ 0.0800						
<b>BUS SEWER (A)</b> <i>(Effective October, 2001)</i>	Rate Code	Access Charge	Usage Charge						
Residential/Non-Senior	S3	\$ 14.00	\$ -						
Residential/Senior (age 60+)	S10	\$ 3.00	\$ -						

**NOTE (A)** Water and sewer rates for the Barrow Utilidor System (BUS) are set by the North Slope Borough. No discounts on BUS Water or BUS Sewer per the NSB Approved Tariff Rates.