



**COCHRANE LAKE
GAS CO-OP LTD.**

APRIL 2022

Bill Payments Must Be

Received By:

April 25, 2022

March 2022 Gas Rate: **\$6.86/GJ**

April 2022 Gas Rate: **\$7.17GJ**

Plus **\$29.50 Fixed Rate/Month**

IMPORTANT

In order for us to complete our annual gas system maintenance and safety checks, including meter and related equipment inspections, our staff requires unrestricted access to the equipment at all times.

Unrestricted access ensures gas system safety, your safety, and our staff's safety.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our 49th AGM was held on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at Weedon Community Hall. AGM packages are available for pick up at our office if you are interested.

COST OF GAS

Prior to the start of each month, Gas Alberta designs a natural gas rate (on a \$ per Gigajoule (GJ) basis to cover its estimated gas costs to supply Federation utilities for the upcoming month. This rate is affected by market forces. As the market price for natural gas increases or decreases, so does the cost of gas for residents and businesses.

FIXED DELIVERY CHARGE

The monthly service charge is designed to recover the costs that do not vary with consumption of gas including administration, design/installation of pipelines and meters. These show up a bill as a single line item and is currently set at \$29.50 per month.

VARIABLE DELIVERY CHARGE

The variable delivery charge is designed to recover the costs that vary with consumption of gas. These are principally related to capital and operating costs, including labour, materials and supplies. The Co-op includes this as a part of a gas consumption line item. The cost will vary dependent on how much natural gas a customer consumes in a given month (i.e. a 3/GJ gas rate, plus a \$1/GJ variable rate = \$4/GJ. If that customer uses 10 GJ of gas in a month, their consumption charge would be \$40 that month.

FEDERAL FUEL CHARGE

The Federal Fuel Charge is part of the Federal government's climate change action plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. It is a per GJ rate applied to the consumption of gas in a month. Utilities are required to collect the Federal Fuel Charge from consumers.



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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

CALL 403-932-2707

If your call is between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, it will be answered at our main office. If you are calling after hours, or on weekends and stat holidays, our message centre will direct you to dial "1", which will connect you to the on-call Gas Utility Operator.

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The rates reflect a carbon pollution price of \$40 per tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent (CO₂e) in 2021, rising by \$10 per tonne to \$50 per tonne in 2022. The Federal Fuel Charge is \$2.10 per GJ. On April 1, 2022, it is slated to increase to \$2.63 per GJ from \$2.10 per GJ. ***This represents an increase of \$0.53 per GJ to your gas rate effective April 1, 2022.***

PRE-AUTHORIZED WITHDRAWAL AND E-BILLING

In our continued effort to save time, money and paper, we encourage you to sign up for ***paperless billing*** or ***pre-authorized withdrawal***. Please contact our office if you wish to enroll for these services.

Additionally, we can register you to receive occasional emailed updates and information.

LAUGHING GAS

Why aren't koalas considered bears? Because they don't have the right koalifications.

A man walks into a library and asks the librarian for books about paranoia. She whispers, "They're right behind you!"

Want to hear a roof joke? The first one's on the house.

People think "icy" is the easiest word to spell. Come to think of it, I see why.