

Town of Hardwick Electric Department

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TARIFF CHANGES

On March 16, 2009, the Town of Hardwick Electric Department filed a request with the Vermont Public Service Board (Board) for an increase to retail rates of 7.81%. The over-all increase in costs for the Electric Department is due largely to the increased costs of supplying and distributing energy to the consumer. The proposed retail rate increase is to be effective on a service rendered basis beginning April 1, 2009.

To determine the impact on your individual bill, use the present and proposed rates column and your average monthly consumption. For example, a residential customer using an average of 600 kWh a month would calculate his or her bill as follows:

		<u>Present Rates</u>		<u>April 1, 2009 Rates</u>
Customer Charge		\$ 10.97		\$ 11.83
NYPA	100 x .05830	5.83	100 x .06285	6.28
Year Round kWh	500 x .16589	<u>82.95</u>	500 x .17885	<u>89.42</u>
		\$ 99.75		\$107.53

The Public Service Board has no authority to suspend this rate request. If the Board decides not to open a formal investigation, the rates will take effect April 1, 2009 on a permanent basis. However, if it appears to the Board that the rates may be unreasonable, the Board may order a formal investigation and hearing on the proposed rate changes. Until completion of the formal review by the Board, the increase will be listed as a surcharge on your bill. Any person wishing to comment on the proposed rate change should file his or her views in writing with the Vermont Public Service Board, 112 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont 05620-2701, or via e-mail to psb.clerk@state.vt.us by March 16, 2009.

Any interested person may examine the tariff change filing at the office of the Hardwick Electric Department offices, or at the Public Service Board, during normal business hours.

		<u>Present Rates</u>		<u>April 1, 2009 Rates</u>
RESIDENTIAL RATE 01				
Customer Charge		\$ 10.97		\$ 11.83
0-100 kWh NYPA		0.05830		0.06285
+ 100 kWh Year Round		0.16589		0.17885
COMMERCIAL RATE 02				
Customer Charge		\$ 14.46		\$ 15.59
kWh Year Round		0.15732		0.16961
INDUSTRIAL & LARGE COMMERCIAL RATE 03				
Customer Charge		\$ 119.57		\$ 128.91
kWh Year Round		0.09393		0.10127
kW Year Round		15.13		16.31
SEASONAL RATE 04				
Customer Charge for six-month period		\$ 23.54		\$ 25.38
0-300 kWh NYPA		0.05830		0.06285
+ 300 kWh Year Round		0.15732		0.16961
SECURITY LIGHTING RATE 05				
70 Watt Lamp per Month		\$ 9.78		\$ 10.54
100 Watt Lamp per Month		12.70		13.69
175 Watt Lamp per Month		20.02		21.58
400 Watt Lamp per Month		45.43		48.98
STREET LIGHTING RATE 06				
70 Watt Lamp per Month		\$ 7.06		\$ 7.61
400 Watt Lamp per Month		32.83		35.39