

Apex Utilities Inc. Special Charges Schedule

In a number of places the Natural Gas Utility Service Rules refer to special charges for some services. Following is a list of the charges, as approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission.

Special Charge	Fee
Account Activation Fee	\$ 39
Remove and test meter - per meter:	
Residential	\$ 83
Other	Actual Cost
Special meter readings (each time).....	\$ 39
No Access Fee (each time)	\$ 39
Reconnection Fee:	
Residential	\$ 55
Other (except Irrigation)	Actual Cost
Irrigation Disconnection/Reconnection Fee:	
Each time (except normal season start and end)	\$ 83
Reinstallation of Meter/Regulator:	
Residential	\$ 83
Other	Actual Cost
Dishonoured payment charge (NSF cheque, etc.) - each time	\$ 28
Cheque certification charge - each time	\$ 11
Any other service at Customer's Request	Actual Cost
Late Payment Percentage	
Applied to any unpaid balance from previous bills.....	1.5%
(18% per annum, compounded monthly)	
Standard Non-Refundable Contribution (as defined on p.3):	
Town	\$ 0
Rural Subdivision.....	\$ 552
Rural Other	\$ 5,964

Note: "Actual Cost", where referenced, means our direct costs for labour, materials, services, and equipment plus applicable overheads.

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AUC Rule 003 – Service Standards for Energy Service Providers

Service Guarantee for Default Supply Customers

We will credit your account with us for \$150.00 if:

- You were provided written notice of pending disconnection of service in error;
- You were provided written notice of pending referral to a credit agency in error;
- You were referred to a credit agency in error; or
- You experienced disconnection of service in error.

The \$150 credit will not be applied if the error was not made by us or if:

- Our written notice of pending disconnection or pending referral to a credit agency was not issued in error and our notice and your payment crossed in the mail;
- Our written notice of pending disconnection or pending referral to a credit agency was not issued in error and our notice was in mail transit at the time you made or attempted to make payment by visiting the premises of an authorized payment acceptance establishment, such as a bank, trust company or credit union;
- Our written notice of pending disconnection or pending referral to a credit agency was not issued in error and our notice was properly mailed, but you did not pick up the mail from locations, such as a post office, super mail box or home mail box;
- Our written notice of pending disconnection or pending referral to a credit agency was not issued in error and our notice was undelivered by the mail delivery service; or
- You attempted to make payment to one of our employees or someone hired by us to disconnect your *service site* and the disconnection was not in error, but that person was not authorized to accept payment.

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Non-Refundable Contributions

Applications for service will require a non-refundable contribution. In most cases, a standard contribution is all that is required. Services uneconomic with a standard contribution will require an additional non-refundable contribution.

Standard Non-Refundable Contributions

Standard contributions are filed for acknowledgment with the Commission when they are initially established and, thereafter, whenever they are changed. For a current list of our standard non-refundable contributions, please refer to Page 1 of this Special Charges Schedule or contact us toll-free using our General Inquiry phone number to find current rates.

Non-Standard Non-Refundable Contributions

Winter Construction – Should the service be requested for installation under winter construction conditions, the customer is responsible for the incremental frost charges.

Other – If it is not economic to consider an application for service under a standard contribution, it will be evaluated individually to determine a specific, non-refundable contribution.

Calculation of Specific Non-Refundable Contributions

The calculation of a specific non-refundable contribution will be based on a net present value analysis applying the following criteria:

- a) An estimate of the total capital costs of providing service;
- b) An estimate of the total annual operating costs of providing service;
- c) The *Commission*-approved return on common equity, interest rate, depreciation rates, income taxes and capital structure;
- d) An estimate of the expected net revenue that will accrue from the addition of the service.

The additional contribution will be the amount required to make the net present value of the revenue stream equal the revenue requirement stream.

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Additional Criteria:

- Rate 1/11 – Town – A *service site* located within an incorporated municipality, such as a village, town, or city;
- Rate 1/11 – Rural Subdivision – A *service site* not defined as ‘Town’, but located in an Apex Utilities Inc. designated subdivision;
- Rate 1/11 – Rural Other – A *service site* not defined as ‘Town’ or ‘Rural Subdivision’
- Other – A *service site* served under any rate other than Rate 1/11.

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