

Apex Utilities Inc. Special Charges Schedule

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

Special Charge	Fee
Remove and test meter - per meter:	
Residential	\$ 284
Other	Actual Cost
Special meter readings (each time).....	\$ 112
No Access Fee (each time)	\$ 112
Reconnection Fee:	
Residential	\$ 112
Other (except Irrigation)	Actual Cost
Irrigation Disconnection/Reconnection Fee:	
Each time (except normal season start and end)	\$ 112
Reinstallation of Meter/Regulator:	
Residential	\$ 144
Other	Actual Cost
Unauthorized Use Charge	Actual Cost
Dishonoured Payment Charge (NSF cheque, etc.) - each time	\$ 23
Any other service at Customer's Request	Actual Cost
Late Payment Charge	
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.....	\$ 609
Rural Other	\$ 6,588

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

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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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