## SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

A G E N D A: County Council Meeting for the purpose of a Utilities Meeting: Natural Gas

to be held on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 9:00 o'clock P.M. in the County Council Chambers, Smoky Lake and through Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89579865196?pwd=ZVkwTVd2d05wZ0pJYmdHYThMMkN4Zz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89579865196?pwd=ZVkwTVd2d05wZ0pJYmdHYThMMkN4Zz09</a> Meeting ID: 895 7986 5196 Passcode: 875181

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# 1. Meeting:

- 1.1 Call to Order
- 1.2 Election of Natural Gas Chairperson.
- 1.3 Election of Natural Gas Vice-Chairperson

# 2. Agenda:

Acceptance of Agenda: as presented or subject to additions or deletions

## 3. Minutes:

3.1. Adopt minutes of October 11, 2022 – Utilities Meeting: **Natural Gas Meeting.** ©

Recommendation: Motion to Adopt.

3.2 Utilities Meeting: – October 11, 2022 Natural Gas: **Action List.** ©

Recommendation: File for Information

# 4. Request for Decision:

4.1. RFD Enterprise Lease ©

## 5. Issues for Information:

- 5.1 Managers Report ©
- 5.2 November 2022 Natural Gas Rates ©
- 5.3 December 2022 Natural Gas Rates ©
- 5.4 September Gas October Billing Gas Rate Survey Results ©

5.5 Federation Board to Board Newsletter ©

# 6. Correspondence:

6.1 Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. dated October 20, 2022 – RE: October Federation Status Report ©

Recommendation: File for Information

6.2 Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. dated October 25, 2022 – RE: Natural Gas Rebate – No Rebate in November ©

Recommendation: File for Information

6.3 Allison Moller, Controller, Gas Alberta Inc. dated November 7, 2022 – RE: Gas Alberta Inc. Interim Report FY2023 Q1 ©

Recommendation: File for Information

6.4 Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. dated November 23, 2022 – RE: Natural Gas Rebate – No Rebate in December ©

Recommendation: File for Information

6.5 Jasneet Kaur, Accounting Assistant, Gas Alberta Inc. dated December 2, 2022 – RE: Gas Alberta Gives Back ©

Recommendation: Direct funds to charitable organization of

Council's choice.

# 7. **Delegation(s)**:

No Delegations.

- 8. Executive Session:
- 9. Date and time of Next Meeting(s):

Adjournment

#### SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

Minutes of the Natural Gas Meeting held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at 1:01 A.M. held virtually online through Electronic Communication Technology: Zoom Meeting and in Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to Order by the Chairperson, Lorne Halisky, in the presence of the following persons:

		ATTENDANCE
Div. No.	Councillor(s)	Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2022
1	Dan Gawalko	Present in Chambers
2	Linda Fenerty	Present in Chambers
3	Dominique Cere	Present in Chambers
4	Lorne Halisky	Present in Chambers
5	Jered Serben	Present in Chambers
CAO	Gene Sobolewski	Absent
Assistant CAO	Lydia Cielin	Present Virtually
Finance Manager	Brenda Adamson	Present Virtually
Nat. Gas Manager	Daniel Moric	Present in Chambers
Legislative Svcs/R.S.	Patti Priest	Present Virtually
Fire Chief	Scott Franchuk	Present Virtually
Comm. Tech.	Evonne Zukiwski	Present Virtually
GIS Operator	Carole Dowhaniuk	Present Virtually
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No Members of the Media were present. Two Members of the Public were virtually present.

## 2. Agenda:

1114-22: Fenerty

That the Smoky Lake County Natural Gas Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, October 11, 2022, be adopted, as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

## 3. Minutes:

1115-22: Cere

That the Minutes of the Smoky Lake County Natural Gas Meeting held on Tuesday, August 16, 2022, be adopted.

Carried.

1116-22: Serben

That the Action List from the Smoky Lake County Natural Gas Meeting dated Tuesday, August 16, 2022, be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Spencer Kotylak, Deputy Fire Chief, virtually joined the meeting, time1:5 p.m.

Amanda Kihn, Interim Agricultural Fieldman, virtually joined the meeting, time 1:06 p.m.

## 4. Request for Decision:

## Bylaw No. 1332-18: Natural Gas Bylaw - Review

1117-22: Serben

That Smoky Lake County Council acknowledge review of Bylaw No. 1332-18: Natural Gas Bylaw; and approve for administration to prepare a new bylaw to include an additional Customer Class #5 for the purposes of Industrial Transportation.

Carried.

## Smoky Lake County Quality Management Plan (QMP)

1118-22: Gawalko

That Smoky Lake County Reeve, CAO, and Manager affix their signatures to the Quality Management Plan (QMP), which represents an agreement with the Province of Alberta under section 5 of the Gas Distribution Act for designating Smoky Lake County as the gas utility, constructed, operated and maintained in accordance with the Act's section 2 requirements; and return the executed document to Rural Utilities for their records.

Carried.

## Policy Statement No. 09-05-06: Natural Gas Line Damage Charge

1119-22; Fenerty

That Smoky Lake County Policy Statement No. 09-05-06: Natural Gas Line Damage Charge, be amended:

Section: 09		Code: P-S	Page No.:	1 of 1		
Legislation	Reference					
Purpose:	To establish a pipelines or fa	olish a cost for willfully or accidentally damage to underground natural gas s or facilities.				
Policy Stal	ement and (	Buidelines:				
STATEMENT	:					
accidentally d The person re to the natural	arnage any abov sponsible, or the gas system in q	ve of underground natura etandowner, will be resp	s or the general public, who il gas pipelines or facilities. onsible to pay a minimum ( alr.			

Carried.

## Policy Statement No. 09-06-05: Collection of Billings in Arrears

1120-22: Cere

That Smoky Lake County Policy Statement No. 09-06-05: Collection of Billings in Arrears, be amended:

Title Collecti	on of Billings in Arres	ra Po	licy No.:	06-05
Section: 09	Code: P-	R Pa	ge No.:	1 of 1
egislation Re	ference: Municip	al Government Act, Cl	napter M-26	R S A. 2000
Purpose: To	provide guidelines in th	e collection of natural	gas billing ac	counts in arrears
Policy Stateme	ent and Guideline	S		
	County Natural Gas Sys on billings which are du		als the previo	us month natural
Now therefore, arrears	the following guideline	be implemented to fac	ilitate collecti	on of billings in
Day 30: (1ª Billing)	Natural Gas billing consumption of the	accounts marked which previous month.	i calculate the	e Natural Gas
	Natural Gas billing account due.			
	In addition, the mor	othly gas consumption	billing accoun	nt mailed.
Day 60: { 2 <sup>nd</sup> Billing}	eady (60) days or t days or the third bill	n billing account- your wo (2) billing periods o ing period – your natu ther notice; if not paid.	utstænding, o rai gas servic	f ninety (90)
Day 90: (3 <sup>rd</sup> Billing)	ninety (90) days or	n billing account-your three (3) billing period will be locked-off, with	ts outstanding	g – your
	Lock-off will be rem	oved upon:		
	a Total billin	g account from Day 1	– Day 90 + is	paid in full.
	No poste	d-dated cheques acce	pted.	
	b. Payment	of a \$250.00 re-connec	ction fee for r	emoval of lock

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## Sale of Capital Equipment - Unit 206

1121-22: Serben

That Smoky Lake County **defer** discussion of the possible sale of the Natural Gas Department's Unit 206 2013: GMC 3500, 4x4, until after the Public Works Shop Foreman has determined if it can or cannot be utilized by County another department first.

Carried.

#### 5. Issues for Information:

#### Natural Gas Manager Report

1122-22: Serben

That Smoky Lake County Council accept the Natural Gas Manager's Report of statistics and activities dated October 4, 2022, and file it for information.

Carried.

## Natural Gas Rate - September 2022

1123-22: Fenerty

That the Smoky Lake County Natural Gas Rates for **September 2022**, from Gas Alberta in the amounts of \$5.60 (Gas Alberta Rate) + \$0.24 (Variable) + \$1.90 (Operations & Maintenance Charge) = \$7.74/GJ, be filed for information.

Carried.

#### Natural Gas Rate - October 2022

1124-22: Cere

That the Smoky Lake County Natural Gas Rates for October 2022, from Gas Alberta in the amounts of \$4.50 (Gas Alberta Rate) + \$0.24 (Variable) + \$1.90 (Operations & Maintenance Charge) = \$6.64/GJ, be filed for information.

Carried.

## Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - Health & Safety Newsletter

1125-22: Gawalko

That the newsletter received by Smoky Lake County from the Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. dated September 2022, titled: Health & Safety, be filed for information and forward to relevant departments; and post to County social media.

Carried.

#### July 2022 Natural Gas / August 2022 Billing Survey

1126-22: Cere

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the July 2022 Natural Gas / August 2022 Billing Survey, of gas utility co-ops and companies within Alberta showing an average total rate per GJ in the amount of \$9.18 and Smoky Lake County's rate at \$9.34.

Carried.

#### 6. Correspondence:

## Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - 16th Annual Federation Charity Golf Classic

1127-22: Serben

That the correspondence received by Smoky Lake County from Allison Zinnick, Administrative Coordinator, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. dated August 24, 2022, in respect to the success of the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Federation Charity Golf Classic, raising over \$20,000 for the MS Society, and thanking Smoky Lake County for participating in the event, be filed for information.

Carried.

## Gas Alberta Inc. - Communication to Shareholders

1128-22: Fenerty

That the correspondence received by Smoky Lake County from Gas Alberta Inc., dated September 2, 2022, as "communication to shareholders" relating to the commission and payment arrangements for agents retained to perform marketing services for Gas Alberta Energy, be filed for information.

Carried.

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## Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - 2022 Fall Zone Meetings

1129-22: Gawalko

That Smoky Lake County Council who can attend – attend the Year-2022 Fall Zone 3 and 4 Meeting, scheduled for October 27, 2022, to be held at the Bold Centre Devon Room, at 8702-91 Avenue, Lac La Biche, Alberta.

Carried.

## Gas Alberta Inc - Strategic Partnership Announcement

1130-22: Cere

That the correspondence received by Smoky Lake County from Gas Alberta Inc., dated September 7, 2022, announcing: "effective September 1, 2022, Gas Alberta Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, Gas Alberta Enterprises Ltd., has become a 48% shareholder of Lovat Gas Solutions Ltd.", be filed for information.

Carried.

#### Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - Business Strategy Considerations

1131-22: Serben

That the correspondence received by Smoky Lake County from Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. dated September 8, 2022, announcing: "their Business Strategy Committee is now a Board-level committee with three sitting Board Directors and their mandate is to investigate new business or enhancement opportunities which may assist with the development of the Federation and/or its Member Utilities"; and asking Member Utilities to provide some thoughts and ideas on what business or enhancement opportunities they feel the Committee should investigate, be filed for information.

Carried.

#### Gas Alberta Inc. - Advance Information Circular for Shareholders Meeting

1132-22: Gawalko

That Smoky Lake County approve for Reeve Halisky to attend and vote on behalf of Smoky Lake County, at the Gas Alberta Inc.'s annual meeting of shareholders, scheduled for November 29, 2022; in response to the advanced information circular from Paul Dunsmore, President & CEO, Gas Alberta Inc., dated September 9, 2022.

Carried.

## Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - Federation Policy Change on Unpaid Accounts

1133-22: Serben

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the email from Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd., dated September 12, 2022, announcing the Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops ltd. has changed its policy on unpaid accounts, clarifying all payments are due within 60 days of the invoice date and any payment not received by the end of 60 days will now be charged interest at a current rate of 1% per month on all overdue balances.

Carried.

#### Gas Alberta Board of Directors Candidate

1134-22: Fenerty

That the correspondence received by Smoky Lake County from Doug Sullivan, dated September 19, 2022, providing his complete profile for information and decision making as a potential candidate for election to Gas Alberta's Board of Directors, be filed for information.

Carried.

#### Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - Health & Safety Information Sharing

1135-22: Gawalko

That the correspondence received by Smoky Lake County from Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. dated September 27, 2022, in respect to voluntary information sharing system for health and safety, be filed for information.

Carried.

Gene Sobolewski, Chief Administrative Officer, entered Council Chambers, time 2:00 p.m.

## Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - Rebate Program

1136-22: Cere

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the email from Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd., dated September 16, 2022, announcing the Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. has been contracted by the Government of Alberta to process applications under the Natural Gas Rebate Program for gas utilities which includes all Federation Member Utilities and Independent Natural Gas Utilities.

Carried.

#### Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - Natural Gas Rebate Webinar Follow-up

1137-22: Serben

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the correspondence from Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd., dated September 21, 2022, providing the slides from their PowerPoint presentation outlining the process for the Natural Gas Rebate Program.

Carried.

## Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - No Natural Gas Rebate in October 2022

1138-22: Serben

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the email from Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd., dated September 26, 2022, in respect to there being no natural gas rebate for the month of October 2022, as the rates are below the province's \$6.50/GJ threshold for issuing a rebate.

Carried.

## Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. - Natural Gas Rebate Program Flyer

1139-22: Serben

That correspondence received by Smoky Lake County from Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Coops Ltd. dated September 28, 2022, in respect to the Natural Gas Rebate Program be acknowledge and the information flyer be posted on the County's social media as well as placed in with the gas natural gas bills as a stuffer.

Carried.

#### 7. Delegation:

No Delegation.

## 8. Executive Session:

No Executive Session.

## Next Meeting:

1140-22: Gawalko

That the next Smoky Lake County <u>Natural Gas Meeting</u> be scheduled for Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. to be held virtually, through Electronic Communication Technology as per Bylaw 1376-20 and/or physically in County Council Chambers.

Carried.

## Adjournment:

1141-22: Cere

That the Smoky Lake County Natural Gas Meeting of October 11, 2022, be adjourned, time, 2:02 p.m.

Carried.

CHAIRPERSON

SEAL

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER





# COUNCIL MOTIONS/INQUIRY 2022 PLAN

## **COUNCIL MOTIONS 2022**

Meeting	Motio	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update
2022/10/11	1117-22	2022 10 11 Natural Gas	That Smoky Lake County Council acknowledge review of Bylaw No. 1332-18: Natural Gas Bylaw; and approve for administration to prepare a new bylaw to include an additional Customer Class #5 for the purposes of Industrial Transportation.	Natural Gas Manager	Patti Priest: Achievements: Bylaw No. 1427–22: Natural Gas, was given three readings and passed by Council by Motion #76–22, at the regular Council meeting held on October 26, 2022. Challenges: No value Next Steps: No value
2022/10/11	1118-22	>Smoky Lake County Quality Management Plan (QMP)	That Smoky Lake County Reeve, CAO, and Manager affix their signatures to the Quality Management Plan (QMP), which represents an agreement with the Province of Alberta under section 5 of the Gas Distribution Act for designating Smoky Lake County as the gas utility, constructed, operated and maintained in accordance with the Act's section 2 requirements; and return the executed document to Rural Utilities for their records.	Natural Gas Manager	Daniel Moric: Achievements: Completed and sent to Rural Utilities October 12th. Challenges: No value Next Steps: No value

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Meeting	Motio	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update
2022/10/11	1119-22		That Smoky Lake County Policy Statement No. 09-05-05: Natural Gas Line Damage Charge, be amended:	Natural Gas Manager	Jenna Preston:  Achievements: Policy Statement No. 09- 05-06: Natural Gas Line Damage Charge, was sent to Communications on October 19, 2022 to post on County Website. The policy was posted to the website on October 20, 2022 and a policy memo was sent to staff on October 21, 2022. The policy was recorded for monitoring and tracking purposes.  Challenges: No value  Next Steps: No value
2022/10/11	1120-22	>Policy Statement No. 09-06-06: Collection of Billings in Arrears	That Smoky Lake County Policy Statement No. 09-06-05: Collection of Billings in Arrears, be amended:	Natural Gas Manager	Jenna Preston: Achievements: Policy Statement No. 09-06-05: Collection of Billings in Arrears, was sent to Communications on October 19, 2022 to post on County Website. The policy was posted to the website on October 20, 2022 and a policy memo was sent to staff on October 21, 2022. The policy was recorded for monitoring and tracking purposes.
					Challenges: No value
					Next Steps: No value
2022/10/11	1121-22	->Sale of Capital Equipment – Unit 206	That Smoky Lake County <b>defer</b> discussion of the possible sale of the Natural Gas Department's Unit 206 2013: GMC 3500, 4x4, until after the Public Works Shop Foreman has determined if it can or cannot be utilized by County another department first.	Shop Foreman	

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Meeting	Motio	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update
2022/10/11	1125-22	→>Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. − Health & Safety Newsletter	That the newsletter received by Smoky Lake County from the Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. dated September 2022, titled: Health & Safety, be filed for information and forward to relevant departments; and post to County social media.	Natural Gas Manager	Patti Priest:  Achievements: This newsletter was included on the Oct. 20, 2022 JH&S Meeting agenda.  Challenges: No value  Next Steps: No value  Evonne Zukiwski:  Achievements:  • Fed Gas Health and Safety Newsletter, not posted to Smoky Lake County social media as the content of the newsletter is targeted specifically to Federation members and not the general public. The newsletter is only accessible to Federation members through account login.  Challenges: No value  Next Steps: No value

Meeting	Motio	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update
2022/10/11	1139-22	->Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd Natural Gas Rebate Program Flyer	That correspondence received by Smoky Lake County from Kevin Crush, Corporate Services Manager, Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. dated September 28, 2022, in respect to the Natural Gas Rebate Program be acknowledge and the information flyer be posted on the County's social media as well as placed in with the gas natural gas bills as a stuffer.	Natural Gas Manager	Evonne Zukiwski:     Achievements:              Natural Gas Rebate flyer posted and shared on Smoky Lake County social media, linking to information on the Province of Alberta's website on October 18, 2022.
					Communications Department created Natural Gas Rebate information webpage on the Smoky Lake County website (https://www.smokylakecounty .ab.ca/p/natural-gas-rebate-program) and pinned webpage as a notice where it will be updated about rebates triggered until the program has expired October 4, 2022
					Challenges: No value
					Next Steps: No value
2022/10/11	1129-22	Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd	That Smoky Lake County Council who can attend – attend the Year-2022 Fall Zone 3 and 4 Meeting, scheduled for	Natural Gas Manager	Patti Priest:
		2022 Fall Zone Meetings	October 27, 2022, to be held at the Bold Centre Devon Room, at 8702-91 Avenue, Lac La Biche, Alberta.	Manager	Achievements: Dan Jered & Lorne expressed interest in attending.
					Challenges: No value
					Next Steps: No value



prou	EST FOR DECISION DATE December 13 2022
KEQU	EST FOR DECISION
TOPIC	Enterprise Float Management Conside Inc. Leases
TOPIC	Enterprise Fleet Management Canada Inc. Leases
PROPOSAL	BACKGROUND:
	January 28, 2021, Council Meeting Motion #315-21:  That Smoky Lake County Council authorize Administration to engage Enterprise Fleet Management Canada Inc., in a timely manner to take advantage of the best pricing available for the purpose of adding four (4) Year-2021 Public Works fleet vehicle units, through an open-end lease agreement.
	February 3, 2021, Enterprise Fleet Management Canada Inc. Agreement Executed
	April 28, 2021, Budget Meeting Motion #663-21: That Smoky Lake County Council approve the amended Year-2021 to Year-2025 Five-Year Capital Project Budget of expenditures in the amounts of: \$3,708,713 for Year-2021, \$3,797,540 for Year-2022, \$4,082,751 for Year-2023, \$3,425,179 for Year-2024, and \$1,634,785 for Year-2025.
	The approved Capital Budget amounts include: 2021 Vehicle Replacement in the amount of \$448,000 2022 Vehicle Replacement in the amount of \$370,000
	February 3, 2021 Open End Equity Leases Executed for: 2021 Chevrolet Silverado LT 4x4 Crew Cab 5.75 ft bx 147.4 in WB – Unit 100A 2021 GMC Sierra 3500HD Base 4x4 Crew Cab 6.75 ft. box 158.9 in. WB SRW – Unit 204A 2021 Chevrolet Silverado LT 4x4 Crew Cab 5.75 ft. box 147.4 in. WB – Unit 226A
	PROPOSAL: In order to receive optimal pricing for Year-2023 County fleet vehicles, Administration needs to engage Enterprise Fleet Management Canada Inc., in a timely manner to take advantage of the market pricing available. Attached is an Enterprise Fleet Management Canada Inc. open-end (equity) lease agreement proposal for the following:
	<ol> <li>2023 Ford F-350 XLT 4x4 SD Crew Cab 6.75 ft. box 160 in. WB SRW for Natural Gas Department  – Quote #6710057,</li> </ol>
	The Estimated arrival date for the vehicles would be February 2023.
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REQUEST FOR DECIS	DATE	December 13 2022	
			4.1
	gement Canada Inc. Lease		
BENEFITS The purchase is	s in line with the capital equip	oment replacement plan.	
DISADVANTAGES -			
	cil's discretion.		
FINANCE/BUDGET IMPLICATION			
Operating Costs: \$	Сарі	ital Costs: <u>\$</u>	
Budget Available: \$ 71,700.0	00 Sour	rce of Funds:	
		1-416-4	
Budgeted Costs:		udgeted Costs: §	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS	N/A		
COMMUNICATION STRATEGY	N/A		
RECOMMENDATIONS	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
That Smoky Lake Coun     Management Canada In	nc. as per their Quote 671	l (equity) lease agreement wit 10057, Dated October 11, 2022 ft. box 160 in. WB SRW. box	2 for One (1) Year-
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# NATURAL GAS PLAN

Goal		Progress Update	
AMR meter expiration	Daniel Moric:		
replacement : 100%	Achievements: No value		
	Challenges: No value		
	Next Steps: No value		
	2022/12/07		
Odorant Activity: 100%	Daniel Moric:		
	Achievements: No value		
	Challenges: No value		
	Next Steps: No value		
	2022/12/07		

Goal	Progress Update
->Deliver Odorant 0 Hours	Daniel Moric: Achievements: October 1/22 - October 31/22 - 25 hrs x 2 servicemen = 50 hrs delivering odorant. Deliveries made to Smoky Lake County Natural Gas Utility, Lac La Biche County Natural Gas Utility, County of Vermillion River Natural Gas Utility, and Kehewin Natural Gas Utility.
	November 1/22 - November 30/22 - 75 hrs x 2 servicemen = 150 hrs delivering odorant. Deliveries made to Phoenix Gas Co-op, Town Of Redwater Natural Gas Utility, Smoky Lake County Natural Gas Utility, County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility, Burnt Lake Gas Co-op, Chain Lakes Gas Co-op, Minco Gas Co-op, Rocky Gas Co-op, Lac La Biche District Gas Co-op, and GLDC Gas Co-op.
	Challenges: No value  Next Steps: No value  2022/12/07
CNG Trailer : 100%	Daniel Moric: Achievements: No value Challenges: No value
	Next Steps: <i>No value</i> 2022/12/07
Compressed natural gas trailer 0 Trailer(s)	Daniel Moric: Achievements: - CNG was delivered to RCO Energy in Drayton Valley in September for pressure relief repairs. Unsure of repair timeline.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/12/07

Goal	Progress Update			
Administrative Activity (GAS) : 100%	Daniel Moric: Achievements:			
	Attend weekly manager meetings.			
	Receive customer phone calls.			
	Respond to emails.			
	Assist in producing monthly gas bills.			
	<ul> <li>November 2022 gas price was \$7.59/GJ. December 2022 gas price has increased to \$8.04/GJ.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Apply for new gas services and complete all of the required paperwork.</li> </ul>			
	Continue to get easements and contracts signed as necessary.			
	Working on invoicing construction, odorant and CNG jobs.			
	<ul> <li>Posted in the gas bills for customers wanting to go on equalized billing as well as for paperless billing.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Preparing billing software for Alberta Government Rebate Program. Requires reviewing annual consumption of each individual account and determining if they qualify for the rebate. Only sites that consume less that 2,500 Gj's per calender year, based on a 5 year average, are eligible for the rebate. As of yet, the rebate has not been activated by the provincial government.</li> </ul>			
	Challenges: No value			
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/12/07			

Goal	Progress Update						
→Service Calls : 100%	Daniel Moric:						
	Achievements: - CO alarm in house. Found no appliance issues, but furnace exhaust was being blown back into the fresh air vent with the wind hitting the house a certain way, and circulating CO within house. Customer will run wood stove until heating company can move the vents further away from each other. (Waskatenau) - Gas smell outside. Found regulator on utility side venting. Replaced regulator. (Warspite)						
	<ul> <li>Customer called stating had gasfitter look at furnace but had no gas to appliance. Found meter was so cold from the wind coming off Whitefish Lake, that the meter would lock up and stop the flow of gas. Replaced meter and advised customer to put a wind break up to block the cold wind from hitting the meter directly. (Whitefish Lake)</li> </ul>						
	Challenges: No value						
	Next Steps: No value						
	2022/12/08						
->Management meeting	Daniel Moric:						
	Achievements: Attend weekly managers meetings						
	Challenges: No value						
	Next Steps: No value						
	2022/10/04						
->Utility Personnel Meetin	9						
—>Gas balancing	Daniel Moric:						
	Achievements: Every month, monitor the amount of gas purchased from Gas Alberta and compare to the amount of gas sold. Allows us to closely monitor possible under/above ground leaks or metering issues that may occur.						
	Challenges: No value						
	Next Steps: No value						
	2022/10/04						

Goal	Progress Update
->Delinquent accounts	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: Overdue account letters are sent out after gas bills are processed monthly.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/10/04
->Paperless billing	Daniel Moric: Achievements: Currently have 458 natural gas accounts receiving bills by email.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/12/08
->Attend Conventions	Daniel Moric: Achievements: - Attended the Federation and Gas Alberta Convention and AGM's November 27th to December 1st.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/12/08
->Auditor documentation	Daniel Moric: Achievements: Will provide auditor the required documents at their request. They will be starting December 5th.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/11/10

Goal	Progress Update
—>Other duties	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: Other duties include picking up the mail from the post office every morning, picking up parcels from the post office or Pappy's as needed, delivering mail from the County Office to the post office as needed, cleaning and disinfecting my office daily, and doing misc filing in the vault to ensure the natural gas paperwork is filed to the appropriate land file.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/10/04
—>0 & M Policy	Daniel Moric:
	Achievements: Continually review and update the Federation O&M Policy Manual, as required.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/10/04
Training Activity (GAS): 100%	Daniel Moric:
	Achievements: - No activity.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/10/04
Natural Gas Construction of Infrastructure : 100%	Daniel Moric: Achievements: No value
	Challenges: No value
	Next Steps: <i>No value</i> 2022/10/04

Goal	Progress Update
—>Line locates 0 Locate(s)	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: -23 line locates have been completed during this reporting period. 3 were emergency locates during work hours.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/12/08
—>End Pressure Test	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: - Monitor end of line gas pressures and compare to monthly gas balancing to check for underground leaks.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/10/04
—>GPS Services and Alterations	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: - GPS-ing new gas lines is complete. Will be submitting the data to the Federation before year end.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/12/08
—>Install gas lines	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: - Will be completing reconnect for an abandoned service in Vilna shortly.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/12/08

	Goal	Progress Update
->s	ign installation 0 Sign(s)	Daniel Moric:
		Achievements: - No activity this period
		Challenges: No value
		Next Steps: No value
		2022/12/08
->C	Cut and Caps	Daniel Moric:
		Achievements: No value
		Challenges: No value
		Next Steps: No value
		2022/11/10
	RMO Replacement	
Meter 100%	recalls and maintenance:	
		Achievements: No value
		Challenges: No value
		Next Steps: No value
		2022/10/04
	Replace defective gas	Daniel Moric:
n 	neters	Achievements: - Continue to manually read the meters with the failed AMR readers until stock is available of new AMR readers. Stock is expected next year.
		Challenges: No value
		Next Steps: No value
		2022/11/10

—>Meter Recalls

Goal		Progress Update
Council Member Inquiry (GAS):	Daniel Moric:	
100%	Achievements: - No activity this reporting period	
	Challenges: No value	
	Next Steps: No value	
	2022/09/14	
2020 INFRASTUCTURE LINE REPLACEMENT : 100%		
—>Budget - 2020		
INFRASTUCTURE LINE REPLACEMENT : \$50k		
2020 RMO STATION		
REPLACEMENT PLAN RESERVE: 100%		
→Budget - 2020 RMO		
STATION REPLACEMENT PLAN RESERVE: \$70k		
2020 MODEMS FOR RMO : 100%		
→Budget - 2020 MODEMS FOR RMO : \$22k		
2020 REPLACE TRUCK: 100%		
Budget - 2020 REPLACE TRUCK: \$50k		
2021 INFRASTUCTURE LINE REPLACEMENT: 100%		
2021 RMO STATION REPLACEMENT PLAN RESE:		
100%		
2021 REPLACE TRUCK - removed : 100%		
2021 REFURBISH TRUCK BOX: 100%		
2022 INFRASTUCTURE LINE REPLACEMENT: 100%		
2022 RMO STATION REPLACEMENT PLAN: 100%		
<b>2022 MAPPING UNIT : 100%</b>		
2022 REPLACE TRUCK - removed : 100%		

**Progress Update** Goal **2022 REFURBISH TRUCK BOX:** 100% **2023 INFRASTUCTURE LINE REPLACEMENT: 100% 2023 RMO STATION REPLACEMENT PLAN RESE:** 100% 2023 REPLACE T RUCK - re mo ve d: 100% 2023 REFURBISH TRUCK BOX: 100% **Documentation of jobs Daily Vehicle Inspections** Pre job meetings **Daniel Moric:** Achievements: Employees fill out a Job Safety Analysis while working. They are supplied with a JSA booklet, as well as a simplified JSA is on our Customer Service Report that is completed for every job. Challenges: No value Next Steps: No value 2021/10/05 **Undertake On-Call Daniel Moric:** Achievements: Employees continue to be on call for after hours issues that may arise. Challenges: No value Next Steps: No value 2021/10/05 **RMO Checks Daniel Moric:** Achievements: -Check each RMO weekly as part of our regular maintenance. This ensures we can rectify any issues as they arise. Challenges: No value Next Steps: No value 2021/10/05

**Complete Invoicing** 

Clean truck

Goal	Progress Update
Tool Box meeting	Daniel Moric: Achievements: Started attending the toolbox meetings at the beginning of the week.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2021/10/05
Magazine check	Daniel Moric: Achievements: Complete explosives magazine inventory monthly
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2021/10/05
Odor sample	Daniel Moric: Achievements: Monthly odorant intensity checks ( 20 locations )
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2021/10/05
Main Office Safety Meeting	
Meter readings	Daniel Moric: Achievements: Collect meter readings monthly for customer billing
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2021/10/05
Vehicle maintenance	Daniel Moric:
	Achievements: -Complete vehicle/equipment maintenance as required.
	Challenges: No value
	Next Steps: No value
	2021/10/05

# Strategic plan

Goal	Progress Update
Equipment maintenance Leak detection	Daniel Moric: Achievements: No value
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/06/13
Job Interviews	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: - Seasonal position ad closing on June 14th at 4 PM. Will be reviewing resumes and arranging interviews.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2022/06/13
Employee evaluations	Daniel Moric: Achievements: Completed
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2021/10/05
PFM check	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: Check Pressure Factor Measurement (PFM) on meter sets measuring above 1 PSI, as required by Measurement Canada. Will be sending the yearly PFM report to MC in January for the year 2021. They audit our PFM reporting every 3 years and complete a scheduled site visit to ensure correct metering practices are followed.
	Challenges: No value
	Next Steps: No value 2021/12/08

Goal	Progress Update
Public building inspections	Daniel Moric: Achievements: Completed our public building inspections in June.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2021/10/05
Cathotic protection	Daniel Moric:
	Achievements: -Cathodic protection is the protection of the underground metallic pipelines from oxidization and rusting using sacrificial anodes of varying metals. Yearly, we check the condition of these anodes and replace the anodes as they deplete beyond their effectiveness. This helps greatly extend the lifetime of our high pressure pipelines and the risers that extend out of the ground. This is completed during the summer, as the readings are less accurate during the winter due to frozen soil conditions. We also monitor the pipes for the fuel pumps at the County shop as required by the regulatory bodies
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2021/10/05
Tetler bag samples	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: Required yearly to ensure the molecular content of the natural gas we are supplying to customers is within acceptable standards
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2021/10/05
Hydro Axing Wash and bleach all equipment.	Daniel Moric:  Achievements: During construction, equipment is washed and bleached prior to entering properties to minimize the risk of Clubroot transfer.
	Challenges: No value
	<b>Next Steps:</b> <i>No value</i> 2021/10/05

2020 CARRY OVER RMO STATION PROJECT: 100%

Budget - 2020 CARRY OVER RMO STATION PROJECT: \$50k

(GAS) Training Event Form 2022



October 25, 2022

Attention: Manager/CAO

# Re: GAS COST RATE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 2022

Gas Alberta's gas cost rate will increase by \$0.95/GJ to \$5.45/GJ for the month of November 2022.

Our variable rate will remain at \$0.24/GJ for the period July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

The rates set by the regulated retailers for the month of November 2022 are shown below. Please note, the rates set by Direct Energy and Apex Utilities are impacted by their prior period over- and under-recoveries.

	Direct Energy (DERS)	Apex Utilities (AUI)	Weighted Avg. (Est)	Gas Alberta
Gas Cost Rate	\$5.641/GJ	\$5.372/GJ	\$5.614/GJ	\$5.45/GJ
Over (Under) riders included in Gas Costs	\$0.05/GJ	\$0.20/GJ		

We will continue to manage our recoveries and gas costs on a monthly basis and keep you informed of changes to market prices and gas rates.

If you have any questions regarding Gas Alberta's rates, please contact me at (403) 509-2603.

Yours truly,

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Vice President, Gas Supply

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	Ja	s Rate	3	Nove	IIID	er 2022	 	
	Gas	Ab. Rate	Va	riable	0 &	M charge	 otal	
Domestic rate	\$	5.45	\$	0.24	\$	1.90	\$ 7.59	
Sungro							 	
0-35000 gjs	\$	5.45	\$	0.24	\$	0.80	\$ 6.49	X
35-85000 gjs	\$	5.45	\$	0.24	\$	0.60	\$ 6.29	
over 85	\$	5.45	\$	0.24	\$	0.40	\$ 6.09	
Nov 1-14 @ \$6. 35-85000 gjs	\$	5.45	\$	0.24	\$	0.60	\$ 6.29	X
Industrial Rate	\$	1.00					\$ 1.00	X
Tremels	\$	5.45	\$	0.24	\$	0.78	\$ 6.47	X
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Domestic rise serv	ice ch	arge	\$		iser \$	1.90	\$ 6.47	] <b>x</b>



November 23, 2022

Attention: Manager/CAO

# Re: GAS COST RATE EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 2022

Gas Alberta's gas cost rate will increase by \$0.45/GJ to \$5.90/GJ for the month of December 2022.

Our variable rate will remain at \$0.24/GJ for the period July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

The rates set by the regulated retailers for the month of December 2022 are shown below. Please note, the rates set by Direct Energy and Apex Utilities are impacted by their prior period over- and under-recoveries.

	Direct Energy (DERS)	Apex Utilities (AUI)	Weighted Avg. (Est)	Gas Alberta
Gas Cost Rate	\$6.14/GJ	\$6.167/GJ	\$6.143/GJ	\$5.90/GJ
Over (Under) riders included in Gas Costs	(\$0.11)/GJ	\$(0.21)/GJ		

We will continue to manage our recoveries and gas costs on a monthly basis and keep you informed of changes to market prices and gas rates.

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Vice President, Gas Supply

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Maturai	Gas	s Rate	S	Dece	mbe	er 2022	2		
	Gas	Ab. Rate	Va	riable	0 &	M charge	T	otal	
Domestic rate	\$	5.90	\$	0.24	\$	1.90	\$	8.04	
Sungro									
0-35000 gjs	\$	5.90	\$	0.24	\$	0.80	\$	6.94	X
35-85000 gjs	\$	5.90	\$	0.24	\$	0.60	\$	6.74	
over 85	\$	5.90	\$	0.24	\$	0.40	\$	6.54	
Tremels									
Industrial Rate	\$	1.00					\$	1.00	X
Domestic rise serv	1		\$ .	25.00 / r	\$	1.90	\$	1.00	X
Domestic rise serv Fixed charge Systems capital	vice ch	arge			\$	1.90	\$	1.00	]
Domestic rise serv	vice ch	arge		25.00 / r	\$		\$	1.00	]

Utility Name	Zone	Wholesale Gas PurchasedFrom	Wholesale Purchase Rate	Location of Variable Rate	Delivery/V ariable Rate (Per GJ)	GAI Variable Rate	Gas Loss Wholesale Price (%)	Gas Loss Charge (%)	Gas Loss Charge (GJ)	System Improvement Fee	Other Charges on the Gas Rate	TOTAL	Service Charge	Gas Loss Monthly	System Improvement Monthly Charge	Other Monthly Charges	TOTAL MONTHLY	Infill Urban	Infill Rur
irch Hills Gas Co-op Ltd.	_	. GAI		Gas Rate	1.70							7.54	29.50				29.50	4500.00	8500.0
entral Peace Natural Gas Co-op Ltd.		. GAI		Gas Rate	1.60							7.44	25.00				25.00	0.00	9000.0
ene Tha		. GAI		Utility's Variable Rate	3.50	0.24						9.10	10.00				10.00	0.00	0.0
ast Peace Gas Co-op Ltd.	1	GAI	5.60	Utility's Variable Rate	1.69	0.24			0.00	0.00	2.63	7.29	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	4000.00	9000.0
ast Smoky Gas Co-op Ltd.	1	. GAI	5.60	Utility's Variable Rate	1.79		2.00					7.50	25.00		0.10		25.10	3000.00	7500.0
lorth Peace Gas Co-op Ltd.	3	GA1	5.60	Gas Rate	1.34	0.24	2.00					7.29	30.00				30.00	3000.00	7500.0
lorthern Lights Gas Co-op Ltd.	1	. GAI	5.60		1.32		2.00			2.45		9.48	20.00		20.00		40.00	2000.00	8000.0
addle Prairie		. GAI	5.60	Utility's Variable Rate	0.20					2.45		5.80	20.00		25.00		20.00	0.00	0.0
addle Prairie Gas Co-op Ltd.	1	. GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	0.00							5.84	20.00	_			20.00	0.00	0.0
rairie River Gas Co-op Ltd.	1	GA1		Gas Rate	1.70					0.58		8.12	20.00				20.00	4500.00	8000.0
wan River Gas Co-op Ltd.	1	GA1		Gas Rate	2.10					5.50		7.94	26.75		5.50		32.25	4250.00	
own of High Prairie Gas Utility	_	. GAI	5,60		1.84	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	0.0
own of Manning		GAI		Gas Rate	2.50							8.34	22.00				22.00	0.00	0.0
own of Rainbow Lake Gas Utility	_	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	2.50	0.24						8.34	15.00				15.00	0.00	0.0
own of Valleyview Gas Utility		GAI		Gas Rate	1.70		2.00					7.65	18.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.45	0.00	0.0
fillage of Chauvin	1	Chauvin	0.00		5.84						1.00	6.84	27.00				27.00	0.00	0.0
luck Mountain Gas Co-op Ltd.	2	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.30	0.24	2.00					7.25	22.00				22.00	3300.00	7500.0
vergreen Gas Co-op Ltd.	2	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.50	0.24						7.34	30.00				30.00	6400.00	7000.0
embina River Natural Gas Co-op Ltd.	2	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	2.00	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.84	32.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32.00	3500,00	8000.0
te. Anne Natural Gas Co-op Ltd.	2	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.50	0.24	4.00			1.00		8.56	35.00		5.00		40.00	4000.00	7000.0
'RL Gas Co-op Ltd.	2	(GA)	5.60	Gas Rate	2.00	0.24						7.84	31.00				31.00	0.00	0.0
Vest Parkland Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.71	0.24	3.00					7.72	27.25		2.75		30.00	3750.00	6000.0
ellowhead Gas Co-op Ltd.	2	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.35	0.24	2.00					7.30	22.00				22.00	5000.00	8000.0
County of Two Hills Gas Utility	3	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.60	0.24						7.44	18.00		5.00		23.00	4000.00	8000.0
County of Vermilion River	3	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.27	0.24						7.11	30.00				30,00	2500.00	7500.0
County of Vermilion River Gas Utility	3	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.27	0.24						7.11	30.00				30.00	2500.00	7500.0
ac La Biche County		GAI	5.60	Utility's Variable Rate	1.89	0.24						7.49	25.00				25.00	0.00	0.0
Minco Gas Co-op Ltd.	3	GAI	5,60	Gas Rate	1.50	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.34	17.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.50	4750.00	9500.0
moky Lake County	3	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.50	0.24				0.40		7.74	25.00				25.00	3500.00	7000.0
horhild County	3	GAI	5.60	Utility's Variable Rate	2.01	0.24			0.00	0.00	0.00	7.61	27.00	0.00	0.00	4.00	31.00	3000.00	8000.0
own of Redwater	-	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	2.15	0.24						7.99	18.00				18.00	0.00	0.0
Fown of Redwater Gas Utility Fown of Smoky Lake		GAI		Gas Rate Gas Rate	2.10 1.90					0.40		7.94 8.14	18.00 25.00				18.00 25.00	0.00	
own of Smoky Lake Gas Utility /illage of Boyle Gas Utility		GAI GAI		Gas Rate Utility's Variable Rate	1.90	0.24				0.40		8.14	25.00	_	F 00		25.00	2500.00	
mage or buyie das offitty	<del></del>	JUMI	5.00	Ornity's variable Rate	2.20	0.24						7.80	15.00		5.00		20.00	0.00	0.0
Coronado Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	2.10		0.00	0,00	0.00	0.05	0.00	7.99	32.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32.00	0.00	8000.0
ehewin		GAI	5.60	Utility's Variable Rate	2.25	0.24						7.85	20.00			= ====	20.00	0.00	0.0

Utility Name	Zone	Wholesale Gas PurchasedFrom	Wholesale Purchase Rate	Location of Variable Rate	Delivery/V ariable Rate (Per GJ)	GAI Variable Rate	Gas Loss Wholesale Price (%)	Gas Loss Charge (%)	Gas Loss Charge (GJ)	System Improvement Fee	Other Charges on the Gas Rate	TOTAL		Gas Loss Monthly	System Improvement Monthly Charge	Other Monthly Charges	TOTAL MONTHLY	Infill Urban	Infill Rural
Lac La Biche District Natural Gas Co-op Ltd.	4	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.90	0.24						7.74	35.00				35.00	3250.00	7500.00
Lamco Gas Co-op Ltd.	4	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.75	0.24	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	8.26	30.00	0.00	8.00	0.00	38.00	7000.00	11000.00
North East Gas Co-op Ltd.	4	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.00	0.24						6.84	10.00				10.00	6250.00	6250.00
Ankerton Gas Co-op Ltd.	5	GAI	5,60	Gas Rate	1.50	0.24						7.34	30.00				30.00	1500.00	8000.00
Battle River Gas Co-op Ltd.	5	GAI	5,60	Utility's Variable Rate	1.92	0.24					2.73	7.62	30.00		5.00		35.00	3000.00	8000.00
Dry Country Gas Co-op Ltd.	5	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.50	0.24						7.34	27.00				27.00	3000.00	7500.00
Iron Creek Gas Co-op Ltd.	5	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.40	0.24						7.24	25.00		7.50		32.50	0.00	10000.00
Natural Gas Co-op 52 Ltd.	5	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.70	0.24						7.54	30.00		5.00		35.00	2500.00	10000.00
Paintearth Gas Co-op Ltd.	5	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.40	0.24		3.00		0.69		7.97	30.00				30.00	3000.00	10000.00
Phoenix Gas Co-op Ltd.	5	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.70	0,24						7.54	30.00				30.00	3500.00	
Sedgewick Killam Natural Gas System	5	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.35			0.00	0.00	0,00	0.00	7.19	25.00				25.00	1500.00	0.00
Town of Castor Gas Utility	5	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.90	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.74	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	0.00	
Town of Daysland Gas Utility	5	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.40	0.24						7.24	25.00				25.00	1500.00	
Town of Wainwright Gas Utility	5	GA1	5.60	Gas Rate	1.28	0.24	2.50					7.26	25.50				25.50	0.00	
Village of Chauvin Gas Utility	5	Phoenix Gas	7.44		1.00							8.44	26.00				26.00	8.44	0.00
Village of Halkirk Gas Utility	5	Paintearth Gas	4.31		1.20				TI (5)	0.40		5.91	25.00				25.00	0.00	
Burnt Lake Gas Co-op Ltd.	6	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.55	0.24	5.00				1.00	8.67	30.50				30.50	0.00	0.00
Chain Lakes Gas Co-op Ltd. Crossroads Gas Co-op Ltd. Diamond Valley Gas Co-op Ltd.	6	GAI GAI	5,60	Utility's Variable Rate Gas Rate Gas Rate	2.14 2.55 2.50	0.24	5.00		0.20	0.30 0.15		8.04 8.74 8.62	28.00 26.50 33.00		5.00		28.00 26.50 38.00	4250.00 4250.00 4000.00	7500.00
Diamond Valley Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	2,50							8.62	33.00		5.00		38.00	4000.00	8000.00
Foothills Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.25			0.00	0.00			7.09	18.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.00	4500.00	7250.00
Foothills Natural Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.25			0.00	0.00			7.09	18.00	0.00		0.00	18.00	4500.00	7250.00
Foothills Natural Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1,25			0.00	0.00			7.09	18.00	0.00		0.00	18.00	4500.00	7250.00
G.L.D.C. Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.30					0.25		7.56	30.00		5.00		35.00	4500.00	8000.00
Rocky Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Utility's Variable Rate	1.64		2.00			0.33		8.01	29.00				29.00	5000.00	6300.00
Town of Sundre Gas Utility		GAI		Gas Rate	1.45			0.00	0.00	0.21	0.00	7.50	26.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26.00	1500.00	0.00
Big Country Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.50							7.34	25.00		5.00		30.00	0.00	0.00
Cochrane Lake Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.83			0.00		0.00	0.00	7.78	29.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	29.50	4900.00	8500.00
Dinosaur Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.50							7.34	33.00			- 4 7	33.00	4500.00	8000.00
Harvest Hills Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.60	0.24						7.44	25.00				25.00	3500.00	8000.00
Meota Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.60				0.04			7.48	33.00				33.00	6000.00	8000.00
Pioneer Gas Co-op Ltd.	7	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.40	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0,50	0.00	7.74	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	7500.00
Rockyview Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	2.00							7.98	27.30		5.00		32.30	3190.00	
Rosebud Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI		Gas Rate	1.30							7.25	28.00		4.00		32.00	3500.00	
Tirol Gas Co-op Ltd.	7	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	2.00	0.24						7.84	25.00		9	1	25.00	0.00	0.00

Utility Name	Zone	Wholesale Gas PurchasedFrom	Wholesale Purchase Rate	Location of Variable Rate	Delivery/V ariable Rate (Per GJ)	GAI Variable Rate	Gas Loss Wholesale Price (%)	Gas Loss Charge (%)	Gas Loss Charge (GJ)	System Improvement Fee	Other Charges on the Gas Rate	TOTAL	Monthly Service Charge	Gas Loss Monthly	System Improvement Monthly Charge	Other Monthly Charges	TOTAL MONTHLY	Infill Urban	Infill Rural
Bow River Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.60	0.24						7.44	45.00				45.00	4000.00	8000.00
Chief Mountain Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.35	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	7.69	12.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.00	3000.00	7500.00
Chinook Gas Co-op Ltd.	1 8	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.65	0.24	2.00	2.00				7.63	26.00				26.00	0.00	8000.00
Forty Mile Gas Co-op Ltd.		GAI	5,60	Gas Rate	1.31	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.15	34.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34.00	4000,00	8000.00
Little Bow Gas Co-op Ltd.		3 GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.20	0.24		2.00				7.06	15.00				15.00	8000.00	8000.00
Sunshine Gas,Co-op Ltd.		B GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.10	0,24	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.05	25.00	0.00	0.00	D.00	25.00	2000.00	6500.00
Triple W Gas Co-op Ltd.	8	GA1	5.60	Gas Rate	1.53	0.24						7.37	30,60		5.00		35,60	3000,00	8000.00
Triple W Natural Gas Co-op Ltd.	8	GAI	5.60	Gas Rate	1.53	0.24						7.37	30.60			5.00	35.60	3000.00	8000.00

Average Utility Variable Rate = 1.70

Average Total Per GJ Rate = 7.61

Average Total Monthly Charge =

26.95

## **Daniel Moric**

From: Kevin Crush <kcrush@fedgas.com>
Sent: November 24, 2022 2:25 PM

**Subject:** FedGas November Board to Board Newsletter



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# **Board to Board**

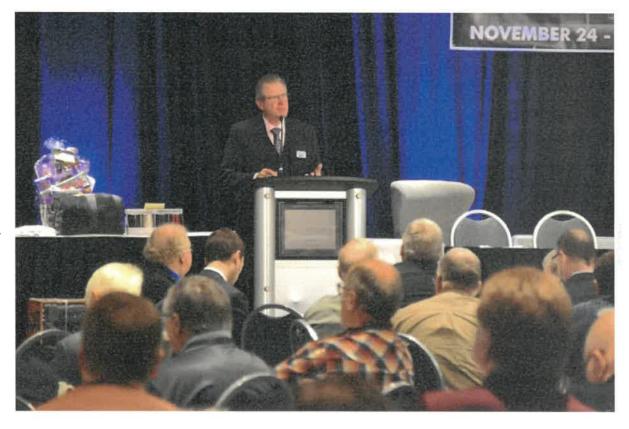
November 2022

### **Convention Set to Open!**

Under a banner of Cooperation for a Sustainable Future, we gather once again for the annual convention!

It has been three years since the Federation has been able to hold its regular convention in-person, and it is exciting to bring it all together once again.

A last minute change to the schedule was the keynote speaker. Oilers alumni Georges Laraque could not attend, instead Stanley Cup champion and Olympic Silver Medallist Corey Hirsch will join us to close out the convention on December 1. An energetic and fun speaker, he talks passionately about the mental health issues he went through as a NHL player and how it almost ended his life. It is sure to be an amazing talk, and we sincerely thank Corey for re-scheduling for the Federation with late notice.



The MLA Forum should be a good discussion with a number of Government MLAs in attendance. As in previous years, the Speaker of the Assembly Hon. Nathan Cooper has agreed to moderate the Forum once again.

The theme focuses on Cooperation for a Sustainable Future, and that takes on a couple of aspects. A hydrogen panel discussion is planned for November 30 to look at what has happened with blending hydrogen with natural gas, what is soon to happen, and how it will impact rural areas. But the other aspect is more of a governance side, with General Counsel Ray Purdy leading a review of the Voting and Funding Report. The report author, Suzanne Polkosnik, was

to address the convention, however she was named a Judge in October and could no longer participate in independent work. Judge Polkosnik has a history with the Federation, having written the original HR template manual for co-ops. We congratulate her on her appointment!

Other highlights of the convention are the Indigenous Relations Blanket Exercise taking place Tuesday at the Top of the Inn, and the tours of the Federation Centre.

The Convention takes place November 27 – December 1 at the Delta Hotels by Marriott Edmonton South and the Radisson Hotel Edmonton South (Wyndham).

Click here

## Radisson Now a Wyndham



For those looking for the Radisson Hotel Edmonton South when they come to the convention, look for the Wyndham signs!

Just a couple of weeks ago, it was announced that the Radisson hotel was bought and will become a

Wyndham conference centre. There are no changes at this time, and anyone who has been to the convention before will recognize the facility. But for people who haven't been before, or it has been a while, look for the Wyndham signs on Gateway Boulevard instead.

# **All Convention Information on One App**

For all the information on the convention, and for any documents or up to date changes, download the Convention app.

To download the Convention app:

https://guidebook.com/g/fedgas2022/ or scan the QR code.

Tap "Download the app" to access the guide on your iOS and Android device.

Please use this passphrase: naturalgas

As a separate method to make the convention digital, information and documents are also available on the Federation website at <a href="https://www.fedgas.com/convention-2022">https://www.fedgas.com/convention-2022</a>. Find information about speakers, agendas, and more on the website!



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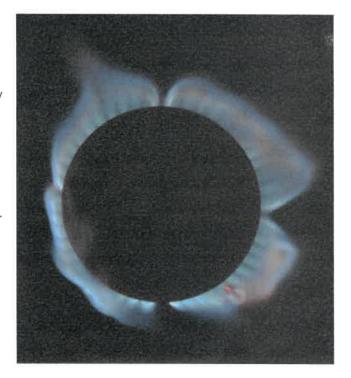
# Rebate Program Not Yet Triggered

Gas utilities have not had, to date, much to do for the natural gas rebate program.

The Alberta gas price did not hit a high enough price to trigger the Province's natural gas rebate for either October, November or December. If a rebate is not triggered, there is nothing else for a gas utility to do for that month.

The program is based off a trigger price of \$6.50 per Gigajoule, and an Alberta price that is set by the Alberta Utilities Commission based on the higher regulated rate filed by either Apex Utilities or Direct Energy Services. Both companies filed regulated rates under the trigger price, so no rebate was issued. If one of the companies files a monthly rate above the trigger price, then all Alberta natural gas customers are issued a per gigajoule rebate based on the difference between the Alberta price and the trigger price.

Should the rebate be triggered, utilities must report their estimated customers and volumes for the upcoming month, which the Province will reimburse the utility by approximately mid-month. After the month is over, utilities have to "true-up" and report actual customers and volumes for that month.



### Co-operators Business Insurance Now Available



The Co-operators is now offering a membership program for your business customers.

The Federation is a member-owner of the Co-operators and participates in

their Member Loyalty Program. As a benefit to all Federation Member Utility customers, they can participate in special programs offered only to members of member-owners. Until this Fall, that offering to Federation members was only for residential customers.

The programs have now been expanded to include business customers, with enhanced commercial coverages, business property protection, cyber insurance, and commercial auto insurance programs. It is an extra program that utilities can highlight to their members or ratepayers, as it is open to any customer of any Federation Member Utility.

Detailed information on the business Member Benefits program is available on the Federation website at <a href="https://www.fedgas.com/community-programs">www.fedgas.com/community-programs</a>.

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### Let's Hear From You!

If your Utility has an article or photo you would like to submit, send it to kcrush@fedgas.com. Articles may be edited for length or content.

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#### **Daniel Moric**

From: Kevin Crush <kcrush@fedgas.com>

**Sent:** October 20, 2022 4:27 PM

**Subject:** October Federation Status Report

Attachments: October 2022 Federation Status Report.pdf

#### To All Federation Members:

Attached to this report is the October 2022 Federation Status Report. It is also available on our website at <a href="https://www.fedgas.com/federation-status-updates">https://www.fedgas.com/federation-status-updates</a>.



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### **Federation Status Report** October 2022

#### **GOVERNMENT & INDUSTRY RELATIONS**

Federation Board and Administration frequently meet government and industry to discuss issues relevant to utilities and the natural gas industry.

#### GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Federation Board and Administration have frequent meetings with Government Members and officials. Primarily, these are with Alberta Agriculture, but may include other Ministries or meetings with MLAs for educational purposes.

#### Updates

- Met with UCP leadership candidates Todd Loewen and Rebecca Schulz at the Federation Centre
- Attended some UCP leadership debates
- Invited Premier Smith to address the annual general meeting
- Contract finalized with Alberta Energy regarding the Natural Gas Rebate Program.

#### INDUSTRY RELATIONS

The Federation meets with other organizations to discuss areas of common interest. Organizations may include, but are not limited to: ATCO, Apex Utilities, Alberta Community and Co-operative Association, Utility Safety Partners, Canadian Gas Association, Measurement Canada.

#### **Updates**

- Took part in Canadian Gas Association Board of Directors meeting in Ottawa
- Attended Co-operators meeting in Ontario
- Sponsoring Alberta Community and Co-operatives Association's Gathering in November
- Sponsored Canadian Common Ground Alliance Damage Prevention Symposium in October
- Having discussions with some independent utilities that have requested Federation membership

#### **OPERATIONS**

Federation undertakes activities to assist Member Utilities in their field operations, including Measurement and Meter Management Services, O&M Guidelines and O&M Audits, and Odorant delivery

#### MEASUREMENT

Measurement inspects gas measurement equipment at RMO stations on a biennial basis as required by the Connecting Operators Agreement with TC Energy and ATCO Pipelines, available support for gas measurement inquiries, and orders and distributes Measurement Canada residential AMR seals as part of the Measurement Services Agreement. Insitu EVC recertifications can be available through the Measurement Canada Accreditation and maintains the VT Scada system and shared cell data plans for the members.

#### Updates

Scheduled meter inspections are now completed.

- Additional requested inspections should be all completed by mid-November
- Power Spring has officially retired after serving the Members for over 24 years.
- The Measurement department field services continues to support Members with their modems and communication connections to VTS
- New meter purchases are affected by supply chain issues, plan well in advance for upgrades and new meters purchases from your vendor.

#### 0&M

O&M Committee meet monthly to review the Guidelines For Operation and Maintenance Practices in Alberta Natural Gas Utilities (O&M Manual) sections. O&M Audit questions are asked based on the information in the O&M Manual to ensure all utilities are meeting the requirements.

#### Updates

- Dawn Dietz has assumed the new role of O&M Program Administrator to work with the two O&M Auditors conducting audits on Federation Member Utilities and a large number of independent gas distribution systems.
- 2022 O&M Audits, for Federation Members, are complete.
- The Committee is continuously working on reviewing sections of the O&M Manual.
- O&M Manual sections distributed to Membership this year include Release Reporting, Inspections and Surveys, Working Alone, Vehicle Safety Guideline and Best Practices, Audit Procedures, and the Integrity Management Program (IMP). In addition, one new O&M Manual section, was created and distributed, the Safety and Loss Management System (SLMS).
- The Committee reviewed the SLMS during a presentation at the September Managers Meeting.
- The Committee continues to work with the HS Working Group to ensure alignment between the two manuals.

#### **ALBERTA ODORANT SERVICES**

The Federation along with Bow River Gas Co-op Ltd., East Smoky Gas Co-op Ltd., and Smoky Lake County administrate the subsidiary Alberta Odorant Services to provide mercaptan deliveries to Member Utilities and third parties.

#### Updates

- AOS received a bulk delivery of mercaptan in August to ensure the volumes are available to program.
- Utilities are reminded to check odorant tank levels monthly at their stations as required and report tank levels to your Delivery Drivers to allow sufficient time to schedule an odorant delivery.
- The program looks for efficiencies wherever possible, reducing the number of site visits saves
  costs to the program. A review of the number of requested fills per year per tank is underway,
  results will be shared with the delivery companies for recommendations.

#### GIS

The Federation works with the GIS Users Group and GIS Users Group Executive Committee to develop a central GIS accessible by Member Utilities.

#### **Updates**

- Federation will be working with a contractor to develop and build orientation sessions for the different levels of GIS that Members are working with.
- Support for those who have created their own systems and are familiar with basic understanding is being tested with a couple of the Members
- New or basic training is also being developed to assist the new users on how to capture, verify, and post information as well as "consuming the data" for your operations.
- Once you have purchased your Esri program the Federation can issue your ld and Password for the Federation GIS system.

#### **Health & Safety**

The Federation Health and Safety Program is a suite of services providing the tools and resources required for Utilities to build, maintain, support and improve their individual health and safety programs.

#### **Updates**

- The H&S Working Group is building an Emergency Response Plan tabletop library of mock drill scenarios for the membership to utilize. 6 scenarios have been completed and uploaded to the resources section of the HS portal of the Federation Website. 5 ERP tabletops are awaiting final review and 2 ERP tabletops are in the draft stage. All ERP tabletop scenarios will be uploaded to the resources section of the HS portal of the Federation website once complete and approved.
- The H&S Working Group is looking to develop an orientation template for membership to use for internal employee and external contractor orientations.
- The H&S Working Group has been asked for feedback on the Emergency Response course that is offered by the Federation. Will be involved in the development of a new ERP course if the go ahead is given.
- Bulletin SF2107 Unloading/Loading Equipment was issued to membership in Sept 2022.
- The third H&S Newsletter was sent out to the membership at the end of September.
- The third Safety Group Chat meeting was on Oct 6, 2022.
- A voluntary information sharing system has been launched on the new Federation webpage. An email was circulated to Managers and HS Reps outlining the new system and encourage its use.
- H&S Working group focusing on adding, updating and maintaining the health and safety content and resources section of the new website in effort to provide more resources and support for member use.
- H&S Working Group and CGA safety award nominations have been integrated into the Federation webpage to allow online submissions.
- The H&S Working Group welcomed two new members Kayla Semmler from West Parkland Gas Co-op Ltd. and Rhanda Jaeger from Prairie River Gas Co-op Ltd.
- H&S Working Group continues to meet monthly to review/update HSMS templates, safety webpage and work on safety initiatives that will benefit Members.
- The Federation continues to participate in the CGA's—H&S sub-committee to keep current on industry trends and share related information with Members.

#### **SCADA**

The VT SCADA system is available to all Measurement Service Agreement members. This system allows members to access connected site information reporting back from the field.

#### **Updates**

- Custom access to EVC items: Members now have the ability to see nearly 200 other items from their EVCs there were previously unavailable in VT through the 'EVC Items' button on each desktop site page.
- Alarm sounds are now live on VTScada. See instructions for muting alarms if desired on banner at the top of the map page.
- Mini-ATs connected to VTScada have been updated so that their setpoint based alarms will clear automatically once back to normal parameters.
- Gas Alberta measurement values are now all coming from VTScada as PowerSpring is no longer being run.
- Members with cell modems and higher polling frequency will notice that their flow graph resolution has been improved recently.
- Additional Help Videos have been added to VTScada, with direct access from the map page.
- VTScada now has additional phone lines to ease any call volume concerns. There continue to be dedicated lines for incoming (alarm) calls only.
- Members that have made the transition from phone line communications to cell communications are benefiting from advanced resolution especially for flow rate.
- VTScada now has a more accessible report generating tool. In order to run Daily, Monthly and other custom time period usage reports see the new button on your site list on the desktop map page.

#### **ADMINISTRATION & CORPORATE SERVICES**



Administration and Finance manages most of the day to day operations of the Federation. This includes responsibilities such as: Finance, Office Administration, Member Services. Convention and Training Administration, RUBIS Billing Services, Communications, Human Resources, and works with the Board of Directors on governance matters.

#### **FINANCE**

The Finance section approves purchases, sends out invoices, maintains payroll, assists the financial auditors, develops and monitors budgets. It also provides accounting for the Federation, grant program, measurement, RUBIS, Alberta Odorant Services, and Alberta Federation of Rural Water Co-operatives.

#### **Updates**

- Board has approved the 2022-2023 budget. It proposes no increase to the riser levy, and decreases to many training fees. Budget is part of the Fall 2022 Zones presentation
- Annual audit completed. Will be distributed to Membership 30 days prior to the annual general meeting

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Administration is responsible for maintaining the Federation calendar and booking all meeting rooms or offsite meetings. It is also responsible for planning Federation meetings and events, filing, mail-outs, maintaining the Federation Centre and its tenants, maintaining information technology, maintaining Federation website and the Alberta Federation of Water Co-ops website, supporting FedGas Insurance Reciprocal

Exchange meetings, and is normally the first point of contact for enquiries or customer complaints.

#### **Updates**

- Natural Gas Rebate Program portal developed for the website. These forms will allow utilities to
  provide monthly information on estimated number of eligible consumers, and estimated volume
  of gas to be distributed to those eligible consumers. These forms will allow utilities to be paid
  for the estimated rebate amounts by mid-month, likely before bills go out.
- Natural Gas Rebate program information was distributed through emails, and a stakeholders virtual meeting was held in September. Additional information was sent out afterward to clarify questions raised.
- Gas distributors were asked to fill out and send into Alberta Energy the Application for EFT forms – these are used to allow the Province to reimburse the utilities for rebates given to consumers. At time of writing, approximately 90% of the 87 utilities involved had sent in their forms
- Alberta Energy announced in September that the Alberta Price for October was below the natural gas rebate program trigger price of \$6.50/GJ, therefore there was no rebate in October and utilities did not have to fill out any of the program forms (except the EFT form).
- · Fall Zone Meeting presentations and information were developed
- Federation website re-launched in September. It was re-built from the ground up for user-friendliness and enhanced functionality. There were some initial issues especially in relation to passwords and accessing the Grant management system, but these have since been resolved.
- Supplemental Bylaws were under review, but have been held off until after the Voting and Funding Review report is given to Membership
- Moving files and equipment was undertaken to prepare the Federation Centre for renovations to the Training Centre.

#### **BENEFITS & PENSION**

The Federation works with Alberta Municipal Services Corporation (AMSC) — a part of Alberta Municipalities - to provide benefits and pension to employees and directors of Member Utilities. AMSC provides the actual administration of the benefits and pension program. The Federation negotiates rates and works with AMSC to ensure employees and directors are being treated as best as possible. The Federation sits on the AMSC Pension Advisory Group, and the AMSC Benefits Advisory Group. In addition, the Federation reviews Human Resources policies with legal and AMSC, and makes recommended changes to utilities as required.

#### **Updates**

- Federation is currently working with Alberta Municipalities on the benefits renewal for 2023.
   We are anticipating an increase to premiums
- Part of the renewal will focus on developing programs to address mental health. There has been a sharp increase in mental health disability claims.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Communications is responsible for internal bulletins such as the Board to Board newsletter, Federation Status Report, Federation meeting presentations, and email bulletins. It is also responsible for external communications such as Federation briefing

packages, brochures, trade fairs, advertising, social media, and provides assistance for government and industry relations.

#### **Updates**

- Stingray will manage the Federation's Connected TV advertising again this year, and are taking on the Federation's YouTube advertising
- Federation is a Bronze Clover sponsor of Alberta 4H for 2022-2023
- The Federation is a sponsor for the Alberta Community and Co-operative Association Gathering in November
- Federation is a sponsor of the Canadian Common Ground Alliance Damage Prevention Symposium in October
- Due to postponements last year, the Federation will once again be a sponsor of Curling Alberta's Ready to Rock rural program at no additional cost
- The Federation's video ads are all viewable on our YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/fedgasab or at www.fedgas.com/videos. Specific links are:
  - Rural Communities <a href="https://youtu.be/BG5EvOAH2ls">https://youtu.be/BG5EvOAH2ls</a>
  - o Members https://youtu.be/ su0Qh5H97w
  - o Safe Digging https://youtu.be/ ab30QQ48Oo
- The Federation has several social media accounts:
  - o Facebook www.facebook.com/fedgasab
  - o Twitter @fedgasab
  - o YouTube www.youtube.com/fedgasab
- Always looking for content for social media and newsletters, so any pictures, video, or events that you may want posted can be sent to <a href="mailto:kcrush@fedgas.com">kcrush@fedgas.com</a>.

#### **TRAINING**

Works with Training Committee, Trainers, and Third-Party Organizations to modify and develop training courses, and to put on training courses for Member Utilities — including setting facilities, working with hotels, ordering materials, and maintaining a database of course history.

#### **Updates**

- Training Registration and Calendar were opened up online
- Some courses were already set up for this October, including a PE Fusion and a Gas Balancing class. Most classes will take place in January or later following renovations to the Training Centre
- Quotes are being received on AV equipment for the new Training Centre classroom
- Interest will be sought on the development of an Emergency Preparedness course tailored specifically for office personnel, as well as a steel hot tapping course, and a media relations class.
- Alberta Apprenticeship is not accepting new applications at the moment. They are in the
  process of changing the Designated Occupations to Designated Trades and will receive a
  Journeyperson Certificate instead of an Occupational Certificate. The Federation continues to be
  in contact with Alberta Apprenticeship to find out when the students can start applying for the
  Gas Utility Operator trade

#### CONVENTION

Federation Convention and Trade Fair typically occurs over 5 days at the end of November. It incorporates a Trade Fair, training for Service and Office personnel, Managers Meeting, Chair's Meeting, general training, and an AGM. Over 600 people take part. Meetings are required with multiple hotels, speakers, and others to organize the event.

#### **Updates**

- Convention registration launched on the new Federation website, as well as registration for the Trade Fair
- Early Bird Registration ends October 28. After this, registration costs will go up. Register at https://www.fedgas.com/convention
- The Convention App will be launched soon, as well as a Convention section on the website with information on agendas, Trade Fair exhibitors, Speakers, Maps, Sponsors, etc.
- MLAs have been invited to the MLA Forum. Currently, 5 MLAs have indicated they are attending.

#### **QUALITY ASSURANCE & TECHNICAL SAFETY**

Federation oversees program to ensure PE pipe has been quality inspected, and takes part in numerous Technical Safety Committees CSA, Alberta Safety Codes, CGA, Utility Safety Partners and others.

#### **Updates**

- Shawcor's Edmonton polyethylene plant was sold and shut down. New company is starting a plant in Saskatchewan to serve Alberta customers.
- Asking AER for exemption for Composites and thermoplastic pipes suitable for HP.

#### **GRANTS AND EASEMENTS**

Department oversees the distribution of the Rural Gas Grant and Ancillary Services, including easements. Federation annually receives \$2.475 Million from Alberta Government for the Grant and Ancillary Services.

#### **RURAL GAS GRANT**

Alberta Agriculture and Forestry has authorized the Federation to be the distributor for the Rural Gas Grant to the non-investor-owned utilities.

#### **Updates**

• For the 2021 construction season, 59 gas distributors were eligible to apply for the Rural Gas Grant. In total, there were \$27.3 Million in construction costs submitted. There will be \$4.2 Million in Grant payments disbursed to utilities with eligible services.

#### **EASEMENT SERVICES AND AUDITS**

Federation provides services to help utilities gain rights-of-ways or determine what easements/parcels are already on a land area. This service is provided to Member Utilities, Non-Member Gas Utilities, REAs, and Water Co-ops on a fee basis. Construction audits for the Rural Gas Grant. Cadastrals are provided to Member Utilities.

#### **Updates**

Jayne Walker has been hired as the new Grants and Easements Co-ordinator

### FEDERATION INSURANCE RECIPROCAL & EXCHANGE (FIRE)

Reciprocal has been set up to manage insurance needs of Member Utilities, the Federation, and Gas Alberta

#### **FIRE**

Aon Reed Stenhouse manages the reciprocal on behalf of the Federation. Federation Board acts as the Board of Directors for FIRE. The Co-operators is the insurance holder for the Reciprocal.

#### **Updates**

Insurance renewals have been completed for October 1

#### **Daniel Moric**

From: Kevin Crush <kcrush@fedgas.com>

**Sent:** October 25, 2022 3:43 PM

Subject: Natural Gas Rebate - No Rebate in November

To Natural Gas Rebate Program Stakeholders:

#### November Rebate Price

The Alberta Utilities Commission posted their regulated rate submissions from Apex Utilities and Direct Energy Regulated Services today.

The rates posted were:

Apex Utilities - \$5.372/Gigajoule (GJ)

DERS/ATCO - \$5.641/GJ

As neither rate was above the Province's Rebate Price of \$6.50/GJ, there will be no rebate in November.



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From: Gas Alberta Communications < communications@gasalberta.com>

Sent: November 7, 2022 1:29 PM
To: Gas Alberta Communications

**Subject:** Gas Alberta Inc. Interim Report FY2023 Q1 **Attachments:** GAI Interim Report Sep 30-2022.pdf

Dear Valued Shareholder,

Attached is Gas Alberta Inc.'s interim report for the period ended September 30, 2022.

Please note that this information should be considered privileged and confidential.

Regards,

Allison Moller, CPA, MBA | Controller | Gas Alberta Inc.

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# INTERIM REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2023 – QUARTER 1

For the three months ended September 30, 2022



#### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO:**

We are pleased to announce that effective September 1, 2022, Gas Alberta Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, Gas Alberta Enterprises Ltd., has become a 48% shareholder of Lovat Gas Solutions Ltd. Lovat is a highly experienced, Alberta-based provider of mobile CNG and LNG equipment. Lovat's founders and executive management, Don Fraser and Gary Hyer, have over 30 years' combined industry experience and have been providing mobile gas support to Gas Alberta's shareholders for the last 10 years. With Gas Alberta's \$2.1 million investment, Lovat will be expanding their CNG and LNG asset base which will allow them to further increase their service provision to our shareholders, investor-owned gas utilities, transmission pipeline operators, and industrial customers. Kyle Patterson and I have both been appointed as Directors of Lovat which will allow Gas Alberta to oversee the company's governance, policies, and executive management.

Transmission pipeline outage events have increased substantively since 2014 as both NGTL and ATCO have undertaken comprehensive integrity assessments of their transmission pipeline infrastructure. This activity has impacted 89% of Gas Alberta's shareholders to date, and over \$6.8 million has been spent on third party CNG/LNG to maintain uninterrupted supply to our customers. With the frequency of transmission pipeline outages expected to remain high moving forward, Gas Alberta's priority is to safeguard access to reliable mobile gas supply. To that end, Gas Alberta has spent the last year investigating strategic options to reduce security of supply risk which resulted in our partnership with Lovat Gas Solutions Ltd.

As we begin to celebrate Gas Alberta's 25th year of being a private company, we are excited about Lovat and the future opportunities to continue reinvesting in ourselves which will help us exceed our past returns over the next 25 years.

Paul Dunsmore

#### **FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONS RESULTS**

The following analysis and comments should be read in conjunction with the 2022 Annual Report of Gas Alberta Inc. (the Company) which contains Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Company's audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022.

#### **INCOME STATEMENT**

#### Natural gas sales, revenues and rates

		Quarter		
		Sept 30/22	Sept 30/21	Incr (Decr)
Revenue from shareholders	(millions)	\$18.9	\$12.2	\$6.7
Gas sales to shareholders	(PJs) <sup>1</sup>	2.7	3.1	(0.4)
Billing rates				
Average gas rate	\$/GJ	\$6.14	\$3.30	\$2.84
Variable rate	\$/GJ	\$0.24	\$0.24	\$0
Total billing rate	\$/GJ	\$6.38	\$3.54	\$2.84

Revenue from shareholder customers for the quarter ended September 30, 2022 was \$18.9 million, or \$6.7 million (55%) higher than the same quarter last year. Higher revenue reflects an 86% increase in average gas rates, offset by sales that were 0.4 PJs lower than the same period last year. The decrease in sales can be attributed to temperatures that were 22% warmer than the same quarter in the prior year.

**Unrealized MTM gain on derivatives** was \$3,758,654 for the quarter ended September 30, 2022, reflecting the change in the mark-to-market (MTM) value of financial derivatives since the start of the fiscal year. Refundable and recoverable natural gas costs are adjusted for unrealized MTM gains and losses on financial derivatives.

Net marketing income earned by the Company's subsidiary and marketing venture (note 1) was \$4,607 for the current quarter compared to a loss of (\$80,625) for the same quarter last year. Marketing income is the Company's proportionate share of the earnings generated by Gas Alberta Energy, the

Company's joint venture, which provides natural gas and electricity services directly to consumers, and the results of its subsidiary, Gas Alberta Enterprises, which supplies gas to non-shareholder customers in the municipalities, universities, schools and hospitals (MUSH) sector.

Cost of natural gas sold to customers was \$14,714,987 for the quarter ended September 30, 2022 (\$10,275,748 for the quarter ended September 30, 2021), or \$4,439,239 (43%) higher than the same period last year, reflecting higher natural gas market prices in the current quarter compared to the same quarter last year.

Operation costs for the three months ended September 30, 2022 were \$1,260,790, or \$45,926 (4%) higher than the same period last year primarily due to higher odorant and AMR program costs, partially offset by lower delivery costs. Operation costs also include emergency supply and station operation costs.

**Corporate expenses** for the quarter ended September 30, 2022 were \$826,341, or \$217,634 (36%) higher than the same period last year primarily due to increased external services costs.

#### **BALANCE SHEET**

Trade and other receivables of \$33.6 million at September 30, 2022 were comprised of gas billings to shareholder customers, receivables from counterparties for hedging activities and the Company's proportionate share of accounts receivable from its marketing venture. This balance was \$7.6 million lower than June 30, 2022 mainly due to market prices that were higher in June 2022 than in September 2022.

Refundable natural gas costs are the cumulative difference between revenues from customers and related gas costs. This balance includes an unrealized MTM estimate for outstanding financial derivatives, along with other financial transactions that are being deferred as at the balance sheet date (note 4).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 1 PJ = 1,000,000 GJs

Refundable realized balance, end of period	1
Unrealized financial derivative liability (MTM value)	(1
Deferral of net gain (loss) on closed financial derivatives	(8
Refundable natural gas costs, end of period	

Sept 30/22	June 30/22	
\$	\$	
14,561,597	2,590,646	
(1,889,573)	(5,648,227)	
(8,451,665)	3,224,492	
6,109,932	166,911	

Recoverable variable costs of \$1,409,556 at September 30, 2022 were the cumulative difference between the customer revenues at the annual variable rate of \$0.24/GJ as compared to the Company's operation costs and corporate expenses. Variable costs changed by \$1.4 million compared to June 30, 2022 (refundable position of \$22,413 at June 30, 2022) mainly due to the impact of lower sales in the fall as compared to the relatively constant nature of variable costs throughout the year (note 4).

Derivative liability is the estimated MTM loss on outstanding financial hedging contracts at the balance sheet date. These contracts are entered into with the objective of managing risks related to gas price volatility and may include financial options, financial swaps, financial exchanges and financial basis (note 3). This account decreased by \$3.8 million from June 30, 2022 to September 30, 2022 due to the realization of financial hedging transactions in the first three months of fiscal year 2023.

**Pipeline Funding Program** assists customers in financing the purchase or replacement of transmission pipelines in their franchise areas that have been selected for abandonment. Program activities are summarized below and include project funding payments to customers, a portion of grants received by customers related to their pipeline projects and external consulting fees.

	Sept 30, 2022	June 30, 2022
	\$	\$
Pipeline Funding Program, beginning of FY	3,371,156	3,652,765
Projects funded during the FY	-	(367,600)
Grant recoveries related to projects funded	-	93,259
Consulting fees	(2,145)	(26,977)
Interest income allocated to Program	4,216	19,709
Pipeline Funding Program, end of period	3,373,227	3,371,156

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#### **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

As at		Sept 30/22	June 30/22
		Unaudited	Audited
ASSETS	Note	\$	\$
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		2,003,346	3,559,614
Commodity account		3,844,223	8,329,619
Trade and other receivables		33,589,707	41,152,094
Recoverable variable costs	2	1,409,556	-
Natural gas held in storage		9,630,539	1,533,401
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		1,610,567	5,642,851
		52,087,938	60,217,579
Non-current Assets			
Investment in Lovat Gas Solutions		2,100,000	-
Capital assets		88,230	92,603
Other non-current assets		120,687	140,545
		2,308,917	233,148
Total Assets		54,396,855	62,450,727
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		35,643,513	43,902,747
Customer prepayments		196,606	2,255,269
Refundable gas costs	2	6,109,932	166,911
Refundable variable costs	2		22,413
Derivative liability	3	1,889,573	5,648,227
Pipeline Funding Program		3,373,227	3,371,156
		47,112,851	55,366,723
Subordinated debentures		3,490,000	3,490,000
Shareholders' equity			
Share capital	_	31,350	31,350
Retained earnings	2	3,662,654	1,562,654
		3,694,004	1,594,004
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Freeign		E4 206 0FF	60.450.727
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		54,396,855	60,450,727

#### **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS**

For the three months ended		Sept 30/22	Sept 30/21
Unaudited	Note	\$	\$
REVENUES			
Sales to shareholder customers	4	18,903,576	12,185,068
Unrealized gain / (loss) on derivatives	3	3,758,654	(6,476,326)
Marketing revenue	1	22,348,228	12,602,356
Other revenue		-	2,400
		45,010,458	18,313,498
COSTS AND EXPENSES			
Cost of natural gas sold			
Gas sold to shareholder customers		14,714,987	10,275,749
Unrealized loss on derivatives	3	3,758,654	(6,476,326)
Marketing gas costs	1	22,035,682	12,438,258
		40,509,323	16,237,681
Operation costs			
Natural gas delivery costs		554,791	562,341
Meter station operations		705,999	652,523
•		1,260,790	1,214,864
Corporate expenses			
Salaries and benefits		349,802	328,206
External services		202,617	90,412
Directors' fees and expenses		109,274	75,399
Office and general expenses		164,648	114,690
		826,341	608,707
Other expenses			
Marketing expenses	1	307,939	244,723
Depreciation and amortization		6,066	7,523
		314,004	252,246
Total costs and expenses		42,910,458	18,313,498
Net Income	2	2,100,000	
Retained Earnings, beginning of year		1,562,654	1,562,654
Retained Earnings, end of period		3,662,654	1,562,654

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#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the three months ended	Sept 30/22	Sept 30/21
Unaudited	\$	\$
CASH FROM OPERATIONS		
Net Income	2,100,000	ma .
Non-cash items:		
Depreciation of capital assets	6,066	7,523
Amortization of other assets	58,016	44,804
Unrealized (gain) / loss on derivatives	(3,758,654)	6,476,326
	(1,594,572)	6,528,653
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Trade and other receivables	7,562,387	(5,603,322)
Recoverable gas costs	-	(2,272,213)
Recoverable variable costs	(1,409,556)	(1,168,232)
Natural gas held in storage	(8,097,138)	250,163
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	4,003,649	(1,201,433)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(8,259,233)	1,058,977
Customer prepayments	(2,058,663)	331,219
Refundable natural gas costs	5,943,022	-
Refundable variable costs	(22,413)	-
Pipeline Funding Program	2,070	93,362
	(2,335,875)	(8,511,479)
Cash flows used in operations	(3,930,447)	(1,982,826)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Change in capital assets	(1,693)	(8,287)
Cash restricted for commodity account	4,485,396	(719,053)
Investment in Lovat	(2,100,000)	-
Change in other non-current assets	(9,524)	(9,523)
Cash flows used in investing activities	2,374,179	(736,863)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(1,556,268)	(2,719,689)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	3,559,614	9,340,030
Cash and cash equivalents, end of quarter	2,003,346	6,620,341

#### NOTES TO INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- These consolidated financial statements combine the financial position and operating results of Gas Alberta Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Gas Alberta Enterprises Ltd., which owns a 50% share in a marketing venture, Gas Alberta Energy. The accounting policies followed are described in the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022.
- Gas Alberta Inc. operates on a cost-recovery basis, with differences between revenues and costs being returned to or recovered from its shareholder customers through the Company's monthly gas rates and annual variable rate, or via refunds.
- These consolidated financial statements include a mark-to-market (MTM)
  estimate for financial hedging contracts outstanding at the balance sheet date.
  MTM estimates may vary significantly depending upon the terms of the hedging
  contracts and forward market prices.
- Gas Alberta Inc.'s natural gas sales to customers are highly seasonal, with approximately two-thirds of the Company's annual sales occurring in the winter heating period.

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Radisson Hotel Edmonton South November 29, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

#### **Daniel Moric**

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Natural Gas Rebate - No Rebate in December

To Natural Gas Rebate Program Stakeholders:

#### December Rebate Price

The Alberta Utilities Commission <u>posted their regulated rate submissions</u> from Apex Utilities and Direct Energy Regulated Services today.

The rates posted were:

Apex Utilities - \$6.167/Gigajoule (GJ)

DERS/ATCO - \$6.140/GJ

As neither rate was above the Province's Rebate Price of \$6.50/GJ, there will be no rebate in December.



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