

## Rate Alert for July 2024

## Natural Gas Rate Increase

On June 24, 2024, SoCalGas submitted Advice Letter 6325-G to increase transportation rates to include costs of \$227.3 million related to the Transmission Integrity Management Program (TIMP). The TIMP is a federally mandated program which supports the safety, reliability, and integrity of the natural gas transmission system. As of July 1, 2024, the SoCalGas residential average natural gas transportation rates will increase by approximately 3 cent/therm or 1.5% from \$1.90/therm to \$1.93/therm<sup>1</sup>. Residential natural gas pricing includes the Natural Gas Transportation Charge, Public Purpose Surcharge, and Natural Gas Commodity Charge.

Estimated Annual Residential Bill Impacts of All Approved Natural Gas Rate Increases From 2024 <sup>2</sup>				
Type of Customer	Current Monthly Bill	Proposed Increase	New Monthly Bill	% Increase
Non-CARE	\$70	+\$1	\$71	+1.5%
CARE	\$39	+\$1	\$40	+1.5%

Customers enrolled in the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) program receive a 20% monthly discount on their bill.

## The primary driver for this rate increase

Driven in part by new federal regulatory requirements, projects undertaken during this last general rate case cycle included more complex threat evaluation and remediation activities that resulted in increased costs. For example, due to updated requirements under 49 CFR § 192, Subpart O, TIMP projects included additional assessment methods to assess newly activated pipeline threats which necessitated additional pipeline retrofitting, data analysis and validation, and/or remediation activities and costs.

Additional details regarding these rate increases can be found in Advice Letter 6325-G for Natural Gas Transportation Charge rate changes.

Customers can find Ways to Save tools, energy savings tips, Assistance Programs, and billing options to help save energy and manage monthly bills year-round at socalgas.com.

<sup>1</sup> Bundled rates shown assume a natural gas core procurement rate of 55.5¢ per therm for current rates as shown in Advice Letter 6210-G and 57.3¢ per therm for July rates. This 1.8¢ increase represents the July 1, 2024, increase in the backbone transportation services rate which is a component of transportation rates that is collected as part of the procurement rate. Core procurement rates are established monthly and may be higher or lower.

<sup>2</sup> Non-CARE bill estimate based on a typical non-CARE customer average monthly usage of 37 therms per month. CARE bill estimate based on a typical CARE customer average monthly usage of 27 therms per month. Usage in colder months, like January, typically exceeds the average monthly usage, which would result in higher bills for those months than reflected. Natural gas procurement rates are established monthly and may be higher or lower.