

Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC Request to Increase Electric Rates APPLICATION [A.21-05-017]

Why am I receiving this notice?

On May 28, 2021, Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (Liberty) filed its 2022 General Rate Case (A.21-05-017) with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The application requests a total revenue increase of \$35.692 million, or 30.9%, over currently authorized revenues.

If the CPUC approves this application, Liberty will recover forecasted costs in electric rates over a three-year period beginning January 1, 2022. This will impact your monthly bill.

Why is Liberty requesting this rate increase?

Liberty requests revenue increase for the following reasons:

- To continue to invest in and maintain the system of the distribution plant, poles, wires, pipes, and equipment needed to deliver electricity to Liberty's customers;
- To perform wildfire mitigation work and increased vegetation management to address the extreme risk of wildfires in Liberty's service territory; and
- To maintain the support structure necessary to keep Liberty operating and to provide its customers with safe, reliable, and responsive customer service.

How could this affect my monthly electric rates?

If Liberty's rate request is approved by the CPUC, the average residential winter monthly bill using 714 kWh would increase by approximately \$48 or 41% per month beginning in 2022, and the average residential summer monthly bill using 527 kWh would increase by approximately \$37 or 42% per month. Liberty is in the process of revising its rate design, which it will submit to the CPUC during the proceeding and will potentially change the rate impacts.

Line No.	Customer Class	Present Revenue \$/kWh or \$/Lamp (1)	Present Revenue \$/kWh or \$/Lamp	Change in \$/kWh or \$/Lamp	Percentage Change
1	Residential Permanent	\$ 0.17551	\$ 0.22829	\$ 0.05278	30.1%
2	Residential Seasonal	\$ 0.17551	\$ 0.28786	\$ 0.11235	64.0%
3	A-1 Small Commercial	\$ 0.22747	\$ 0.30108	\$ 0.07362	32.4%
4	A-2 Small Commercial	\$ 0.22465	\$ 0.25411	\$ 0.02946	13.1%
5	A-3 Small Commercial	\$ 0.22647	\$ 0.26966	\$ 0.04319	19.1%
6	Irrigation	\$ 0.17648	\$ 0.19759	\$ 0.02111	12.0%
7	Street/Highway Lighting	\$ 21.47	\$ 26.69	\$ 5.23	24.3%
8	Outdoor Lighting	\$ 14.48	\$ 15.87	\$ 1.39	9.6%

(1) Present revenues reflect authorized rate revenues effective 4/1/21.

How does the rest of this process work?

This application will be assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge, who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt Liberty's application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding are currently reviewing Liberty's application, including the Public Advocates Office, which is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information about the Public Advocates Office, please call 1-415-703-1584, email PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov, or visit PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov.

Where can I get more information?

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A copy of the Application and any related documents may also be reviewed at www.libertyutilities.com

Contact CPUC

Please visit apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2105017 to submit a comment about this proceeding on the CPUC Docket Card. Here you can also view documents and other public comments related to this proceeding.

Your participation by providing your thoughts on Liberty's request can help the CPUC make an informed decision.

If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at:

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Please reference **Application A.21-05-017** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.