



NOME JOINT UTILITY SYSTEM

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“Providing reliable utility services to system rate payers efficiently and economically by prudently operating and maintaining system assets in a fiscally responsible manner”

BILLING STATEMENT— BACK SIDE NOTIFICATIONS AUGUST 31, 2015

BILLS ARE DUE IN FULL BY THE 25th OF THE MONTH.

A 1% finance charge will be assessed if payment is not received by due date. Services are subject to disconnect if a statement is overdue by more than 15 days. Disconnect notice delivery fee and service reconnect fees may apply.

ELECTRIC RATES

Electric rates now in effect are indicated below. An interim rate change from January-July 2015 applied a two cent (\$0.02) increase to all kilowatt hour energy charges, the first change in base electric rates since 1995. Effective with billings issued on or after August 24, 2015, the following new rates are in effect following a rate study performed by an independent rate consultant.

SINGLE PHASE				THREE PHASE			
AS OF THIS BILLING	New Rates*	2015 Interim	1995 rates	AS OF THIS BILLING	New Rates*	2015 Interim	1995 rates
Facilities Charge:	\$20.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	Facilities Charge:	\$60.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
Energy Charge per kwh:				Demand Charge per KW	10.00	10.00	10.00
First 200 kwh	0.1975	0.2075	0.1875	Energy Charge per kwh:	0.1550	0.1550	0.1350
Next 500 kwh	0.1975	0.1975	0.1775				
Over 700 kwh	0.1975	0.1850	0.1650				
*Rates for customers outside city limits are .02 higher (.2175/kwh)				*Rates for customers outside city limits are .02 higher (0.1750/kwh)			

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS REGARDING THE STATE OF ALASKA POWER COST EQUALIZATION (PCE) PROGRAM

The Utility must submit regular reports to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA) and the PCE rate changes periodically based on actual operating costs. Effective with the July 2015 billing, the PCE rate decreased to \$0.1885/kwh (from \$0.1980). With reduced fuel costs as a result of our most recent fuel purchase, RCA will be reviewing costs to determine new PCE rates; it is expected the PCE rate will change effective with the September 2015 billing.

The Power Cost Equalization (PCE) Fund was established by the State of Alaska to equalize power cost per kilowatt-hour statewide at a cost close to or equal to the mean of cost per kilowatt-hour in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau by paying money from the fund to eligible electric utilities in the state.

State regulations set out minimum fuel efficiency standards for participating utilities. The minimum fuel efficiency for NJUS is 13.5 kilowatt-hours of electricity per gallon of fuel (kwh/gal); NJUS routinely generates 15 – 16 kwh/gal. For the most recent monthly reporting period under the PCE program, you will find our actual fuel efficiency printed on the front of this statement.

Eligible customers include local community facilities and residential consumers for actual consumption (up to a maximum of 500 kilowatt-hours per month). Customers are cautioned that account delinquency will jeopardize eligibility to continue receiving assistance (credit) through the PCE program.

GENERATOR FUEL SURCHARGE RATE

A generator fuel surcharge is charged on all kilowatts sold to cover costs of diesel fuel used in generators to produce electricity. The Utility must buy all of its fuel for the winter in the summer or fall and the surcharge is based on the fuel price at time of delivery. The surcharge is reviewed and adjusted annually. Based on the most recent fuel purchase, the Utility Board decreased the fuel surcharge to \$0.1439 (from the previous rate of \$0.2151) effective with billings issued on or after August 18, 2015.

WATER-SEWER RATES

RESIDENTIAL

(non-metered monthly)

Water: \$44.55 [Seniors: \$26.73]

Sewer: \$53.46 [Seniors: \$32.08]

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

(metered monthly)

Water: \$56.38 minimum*

\$7.50 meter service chg

Sewer: \$67.66 minimum*

*Actual based on meter size/use

WATER-SEWER RATES

Water and sewer rates are adjusted by 10% effective with billings issued on or after August 24, 2015. The Utility continues to offer an alternate rate (60% of normal) to senior citizens age 65 or older. Customers who may be eligible for the senior rate should contact our Customer Service Office for an application to receive this benefit.

The Utility established a “residential self-haul” rate for individuals or families not connected to piped water and sewer who pick up water in their own storage containers. The rate for self-hauled water is \$44.55 per month (the same as piped water). This rate applies whether there is one pickup or multiple pickups during a water meter billing cycle (15th to 15th).

As of February 16, 2015, the pickup point for self-hauled water moved from the prior location at the 6th Avenue Pumphouse, near the Nome Recreation Center, to the New Power Plant on Port Road. Water can be picked up between 8am and 8pm every day. A customer must check in with the Power Plant Operator to sign a delivery log and have the water fill turned on. If a self-haul customer does not already have a utility account, one must be established through our Customer Service Office. Customers are required to bring their own hose.