

NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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**Great Plains Natural Gas Co.
July 2002
Purchased Gas Adjustment**

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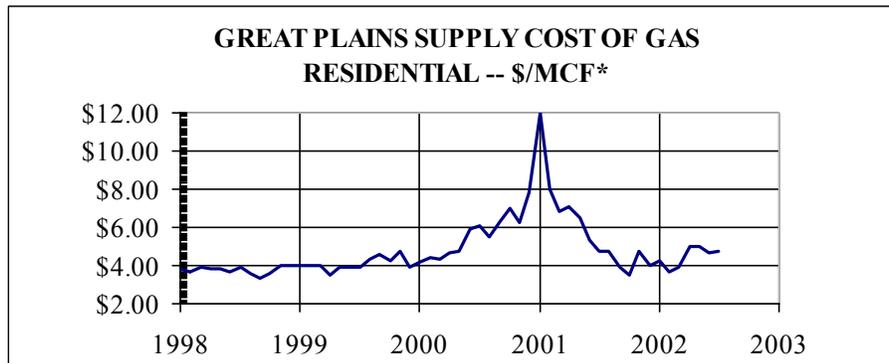
For gas usage on or after July 1, 2002, Great Plains is increasing its purchased gas adjustment by \$.0101 per MCF for residential customers. This changes the current adjustment from negative \$.4773 per MCF to negative \$0.4672 per MCF.

The residential customer increase is due to:

- \$.0879 per MCF decrease in the commodity cost of gas
- \$.0980 per MCF increase in the demand cost of gas.

The supply cost of gas for July usage is \$4.7177.

The increased cost of demand is attributed to a change in Viking Transmission Company transportation reservation charges, the DDS Demand Charge that replaces the former LMS Service, and a revised three-year normalized average firm sales. The change in third party purchases is attributed to decreased demand due to mild weather in the upper Midwest.



For residential consumption typical of July (approximately 1.7 MCF), bills will be increased by approximately \$.02.

The Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Information Administration (EIA) provides various publications on energy issues. The information is available on the EIA website: <http://www.eia.doe.gov>.

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I move the Commission approve Great Plains Natural Gas Co.'s purchased gas adjustment for July 2002, Case No. PU-402-02-341.

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