

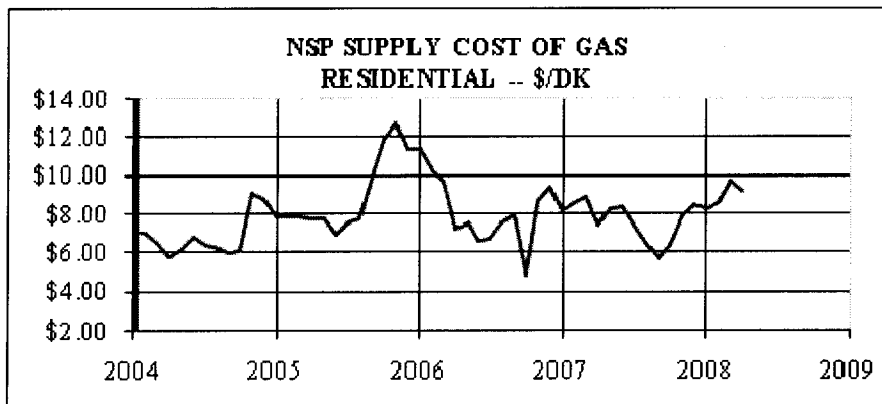
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Cost of Gas

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NSP is decreasing the cost of gas by \$0.5289 per dekatherm (dK) compared to last month. This cost of gas will be applied to natural gas used by NSP residential customers on and after April 1, 2008. This filing changes the residential customer cost of gas from \$9.7376 per dK to \$9.2087 per dK.

For residential consumption of 5.8 dk (representative of April), the cost of gas in the bill will be approximately \$3.07 lower than last month and \$10.15 higher than April 2007. As of December 31, 2006, NSP served 37,301 residential gas customers, and a total of 43,786 gas customers, in Fargo, Grand Forks and surrounding communities.



The change for residential customers results from:

- \$0.1268 per dk increase in the commodity cost of gas.
- \$0.6557 per dk decrease in pipeline costs.

The change in commodity costs is attributed to the effect of rising oil prices on natural gas prices. The decrease in pipeline costs is the result of the seasonal switch to the April-through-October Summer Demand unit cost provided under NSP's Cost of Gas Rider.

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>.