

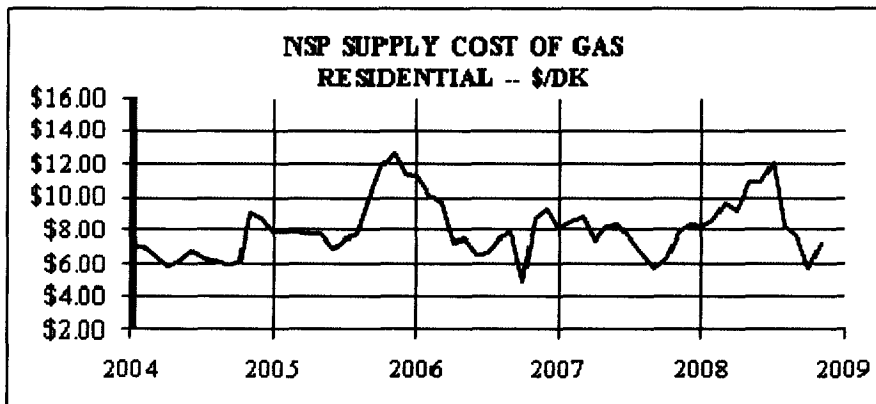
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Cost of Gas

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NSP is increasing the cost of gas by \$1.5726 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 November 1, 2008. This filing changes the residential customer cost of gas from \$5.7199 per dK to \$7.2925 per dK.

For residential consumption of 9.1 dk (representative of November), the cost of gas in the bill will be approximately \$14.31 higher than last month and \$5.41 lower than November 2007. As of December 31, 2007, NSP served 38,185 residential gas customers, and a total of 44,825 gas customers, in Fargo, Grand Forks and surrounding communities.



The change for residential customers results from:

- \$0.9278 per dK increase in the commodity cost of gas.
- \$0.6448 per dK increase in pipeline costs.

The increase in commodity cost is attributed to seasonal price swings. The increase in pipeline costs results implementing the Winter Demand unit cost provision 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>.