



FAQ: COLORADO CLEAN HEAT PLAN CHARGE

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Charge? This charge supports energy efficiency programs to meet goals required under Colorado's Clean Heat Plan.

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State legislation passed in 2021 - the Clean Heat Plan ([Senate Bill 21-264](#)) - requires gas utilities to adopt programs that encourage customers to reduce emissions generated by natural gas-based appliances and heating systems.

Where will this charge appear on my

bill? The charge will appear on the natural gas portion of your bill.

When will the charge be effective?

January 1, 2024.

How long will this charge be on my

bill? The charge will remain on bills while the Clean Heat Plan is in effect.

Will this charge apply to all

customers? Yes, except for the Industrial Transportation Service rate class (G4T), Fort Carson and the United States Air Force Academy.

Why aren't other program charges

listed separately on my bill? Other programs are generally part of ongoing utility operations and are funded through base rates.

How will the revenue generated from

this charge be used? It will be used for energy efficiency programs that will help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to purchase renewable natural gas. Programs include rebates for energy efficient water heaters and furnaces, insulation, and heat pumps. The rebates are intended to give customers an incentive to switch to more efficient appliances.

Is this charge a flat fee or is it based

on my use? It is not a flat fee – it is based on your amount of natural gas used.

Why is it based on my natural gas

use? The law is designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and is specific to utilities serving natural gas.

How much is this charge going to be?

Rates will vary depending on your natural gas use. In winter, the charge could be higher because your natural gas use is higher. The typical monthly charge will be:

Customer type	Rate per ccf	Typical monthly bill impact
Residential	\$0.0125	\$0.75
Commercial	\$0.0050	\$6.20
Industrial	\$0.0050	\$62

Do other utilities have similar

charges? Yes, these charges are called a 'bill rider.' A bill rider is a utility charge, not included in standard rates, that allows us to recover the cost of specific programs.