Electric Rates

A Closer Look at the Public Benefits Component

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Current Charges for Electricity

SupplyTransmissionLocal DeliveryPublic Benefits\$67.55\$25.54\$70.03\$66.22



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Cost to support energy programs authorized by the state. This charge is dependent on usage.



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Millstone Power Station

- 2017 legislation authorizes procurement
- "At-Risk" Proceeding
- Eversource and UI enter 10-year contracts (2019-2029)
- Energy market volatility
- Multistate procurements
- New demand from data centers?



Existing Law

- Set in statute
- Winter shut-off moratorium (November through May annually)
- Residential hardship customers

Public Health Emergency

- Set through PURA docket
- Shut-off moratorium year round
- All customers at first (until 2021), then residential hardship customer only (until 2024)



When the moratorium ends, utilities may terminate service for customers in arrears who fail to enroll in a payment plan or pay their balance in full. Arrearages that accrue during a shut-off moratorium are not forgiven (except for partial forgiveness for customers in matching payment plans).

Hardship Customers

- Receive local, state, or federal assistance
- Have Social Security, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, or unemployment compensation benefits as their sole source of financial support
- Are unemployed heads of household with household incomes less than 300% of the Federal Poverty Limit
- Have income under 125% of the Federal Poverty Limit
- Face deprivation of food and necessities of life for themselves or their dependent children if payment of a delinquent bill is required
- Are seriously ill or have seriously ill household members (CGS § 16-252c(b)(3))

60% State Median Income (SMI), or \$73,509 for a family of 3 in 2024

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Company	Rate Increase (per kWh)	Bill Impact (700 kWh)
Eversource	\$0.02533	+\$17.73
UI	\$0.018366	+ \$12.86

FMCC Charge		
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Eversource	\$0.04035	+ \$28.25
UI	\$0.026086	+ \$18.26

Rate Impacts Depend on Usage

Usage History - Total Monthly kWh







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