

Natural Gas Purchased Cost Adjustment (PCA)

What is a Natural Gas Purchased Cost Adjustment?

The PCA is a variable energy rate that fluctuates from month to month as the City of Monroe’s purchased cost increase or decrease. The fluctuation in the PCA is largely caused by changes in the **cost** due to generation and environmental controls of natural gas. The PCA is set by Municipal Gas Authority staff to ensure we meet monthly budgets.

Why am I charged a Purchased Cost Adjustment?

Since the price of fuel fluctuate due to many factors, including weather, it is difficult to predict the amount of revenue needed to cover the costs. Therefore, implementing the PCA allows the City of Monroe to meet expenses related to purchased power and natural gas and create stability in the overall rate structures. The PCA has been implemented since the early 1990’s.

Example of the PCA displayed on your bill:

The PCA has always been bundled into your total electric and gas cost on your bill. We now have the capability to separate the PCA charge as a detailed line item.

SERVICE TYPE	CHARGE DETAIL	PREVIOUS READING	PRESENT READING	AMOUNT USED	AMOUNT BILLED
Electric	Residential Electric	50785	53145	2360	\$285.48
	Electric PCA 0.025				\$59.00
	Electric Sales Tax				\$24.11
Gas	Residential Gas	7756	7780	24	\$21.00
	Gas PCA 0.591				\$14.21
	Gas Sales Tax				\$2.46