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2021 RATE ADJUSTMENTS

ALP Utilities General Manager, Ted Cash



During its December 21 meeting, the Alexandria Board of Public Utilities affirmed no electric rate increase. 2021 marks the second year in a row that there will be no electric service rate increase. The reason for this is twofold: First is the rate stability that ALP has seen from its wholesale power supplier Missouri River Energy Services. MRES supplies ALP with roughly 65% of the electricity used in Alexandria. Second is the long-term strategy of planning infrastructure improvements, like undergrounding primary electric services, in a measured way that attempts to mitigate large rate increases for all our consumer owners.

The board did approve a 6% overall water rate increase for ALP Utilities customers starting January 1. The water rate increase affects monthly facilities and usage charges for residential and commercial customers.

This rate change allows us to continue to maintain and improve both the water treatment and water distribution systems. As a result, a typical residential water customer with a 3/4 " meter using 4,000 gallons of water, will see an average increase of \$1.30 per month.

For commercial water customers, the percentage increase will depend on their specific combination of meter size and water usage. Most commercial customers will see and increase between 4-8%, with smaller percentage increases for higher volume commercial customers.

To view our complete rate schedule, please visit alputilities.com

ALEXANDRIA LAKES AREA SANITARY DISTRICT (ALASD)

ALP is contracted by ALASD to bill monthly sewer charges. Rates are set by ALASD's board of directors and there will be a 2% increase in 2021. If you have any billing questions, please **contact ALASD at: 320-762-1135.**

2021 RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC RATES

Facilities Charge:	\$19.00/mo.
Energy Charge (October - June) :	\$ 0.076/kWh
Energy Charge (July - September):	\$ 0.096/kWh
Minimum Monthly Charge:	Facilities charge
Cogeneration & Small Power Production Tariff:	\$0.0191/ kWh

2021 COMMERCIAL ELECTRIC SERVICE

(Customers maintaining a demand less than 50 kVA monthly)

Facilities Charge-Single Phase:	\$25.00/mo.
Facilities Charge-Three Phase:	\$ 32.00/mo.
Energy Charge (October - June):	\$ 0.082/kWh
Energy Charge (July - September):	\$ 0.102/kWh
Minimum Monthly Charge:	Facilities charge

(Customers exceeding a demand of 50 kVA in 3 or more months)

Facilities Charge:	\$ 50.00/mo.
Demand Charge (October - June):	\$ 12.75/kVA
Demand Charge (July - September):	\$ 18.00/kVA
Energy Charge (all kWh of monthly energy):	\$0.040/kWh
Stand-By-Rate:	\$ 5.00/kVA
Minimum Monthly Charge:	Facilities Charge

2021 WATER RATE INCREASE



Up to 3/4 " meter:	\$15.30/mo.
1" meter :	\$ 20.60/mo .
1 1/2 " meter:	\$ 32.80/mo.
2" meter:	\$ 51.00/mo.
3" meter:	\$ 111.00/mo.
4" meter:	\$ 167.00/mo.
6" meter:	\$ 314.00/mo.

Residential & Commercial Usage- per 1,000 gallons

June - September:	\$ 2.82
October - May:	\$ 2.67

SAVE ENERGY, SAVE MONEY

Rebates To Brighten Your Day



2021 RESIDENTIAL REBATES

Using electricity wisely can reduce energy bills, improve comfort and protect the environment. The Bright Energy Solutions program provides cash rebates (or bill credits) to help make your energy choices easier. All rebate applications can be found online.

ENERGY STAR Appliances

- Air Purifier: \$25
- Clothes Washer: \$25
- Dehumidifier: \$25
- LED Bulb: \$1.50
- LED Recessed Can/Retrofit Kit: \$4
- Room Air Conditioner: \$25
- Smart Thermostat: \$25

Additional Rebates

- ChargePoint Home Electric Vehicle Charger: \$500
- Air-Source Heat Pump: \$200 - \$1,200
- Geothermal Heat Pump: \$200 per ton
- Central Air - Conditioner: \$200 - \$300
- Heat Pump or A/C Tune-Up: \$30
- Heat Pump Water Heater: \$150
- Mini Split Ductless Heat Pump: \$250 - \$350
- Mini Split Ductless Air Conditioner: \$200 per unit

We also have rebates available for businesses, visit alputilities.com

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS



Application Deadline: March 15, 2021

LEROY MEYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: ALP Utilities is offering a \$1,000.00 scholarship to 2021 graduating seniors planning to attend an accredited post-secondary institution and whose legal guardian are electric customers on ALP Utilities service. Submit an essay to ALP Utilities by March 15, 2021 to be eligible. (The winning essay of the Leroy Meyer Memorial Scholarship will be submitted by ALP Utilities to Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association (MMUA), Tom Bovitz Memorial Scholarship Program, for an additional opportunity to win: \$2,000, \$1,500, \$1,000 or \$500.)

MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES (MRES): Ten \$1,000 Scholarships divided into two categories will be awarded. Five \$1,000 scholarships will go to students whose parents are customers of MRES members (such as ALP Utilities) and are pursuing college degrees in fields related to the electric industry. Five \$1000 scholarships will go to any student taking the Electrical Line Worker Program who could potentially be hired by MRES or a member utility. Apply online at www.mrenergy.com

HOLIDAY LIGHT & POWER CORD

Recycling



Recycle old, expired holiday string lights and power cords. A drop box is located in our walk-in-entry until January 31, 2021. Other drop-off sites include Ace Hardware and Runestone Electric Association.



SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

CALCULATE YOUR SPACE HEATER COST

Supplementing heat with an electric space heater can be convenient, however, this doesn't come without additional cost. How much will an electric space heater cost to operate? You can use the following formula to calculate how much it will cost to operate a 1,500 watt space heater:

wattage



hours used per month



kWh rate/1000



monthly cost

This means if a 1,500-watt heater ran 24 hours at a rate of \$.076 cents per kWh (ALP's residential rate), the cost would be \$2.73 per day. $1,500 \times 24 \div 1,000 \times \$.076 = \$2.73$. Multiply the daily cost by the days in a billing month. For 30 days, this would add \$82.08 to your monthly bill.

BECOME 100% RENEWABLE WITH BRIGHT ENERGY CHOICES

For Your Home



CREATING A CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE

We all want to help protect the environment. The good news is that 82% of the electricity you purchased from us last year came from clean energy resources. These resources do not produce greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide, or other pollutants. Our clean energy comes from renewable resources including, hydroelectric, wind and solar, and from nuclear energy which is not renewable, but releases no greenhouse gases.

Many people want to do even more! **That's why we're offering Bright Energy Choices, a program that lets us and our customers support the development of additional carbon-free, renewable energy resources.**

Here's how Bright Energy Choices works: Our wholesale power supplier, Missouri River Energy Services, purchases Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) on behalf of our participating customers. RECs are proof that electricity was generated by qualifying clean, renewable facilities-such as wind and solar farms - and fed into the electric grid.

When you enroll, REC purchases will offset the portion of your energy that comes from fossil fuels, making your electric usage, in effect, 100% clean and carbon-free!

Each month, a small premium of \$.001 (one-tenth of one cent) per kilowatt-hour (kWh) will be added to 18% of your kWh usage each month. This represents the portion of your electricity that comes from fossil fuels, and will be offset by RECs when you participate. **For an average homeowner using 900 kWhs per month, the Bright Energy Choices premium will only be \$.16 per month.**

To participate in Bright Energy Choices, just complete the order from below and return it to us. Your participation will continue unless you cancel. We will let you know of any changes to the Bright Energy Choices premium before they take effect, we will also send you a Bright Energy Choices certificate to show that you support clean energy!

Sign me up for Bright Energy Choices so I can support clean energy and protect the environment!

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I understand that Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) will be purchased on my behalf, and that an additional premium of \$.001 (one-tenth of one cent) will be applied to 18% of my kilowatt-hour usage each month. I also understand that my participation in Bright Energy Choices will renew automatically on January 1 each year, but can be canceled at any time, provided I notify the utility in writing. My utility will notify me of any changes to the Bright Energy Choices premium prior to January 1 of each year.

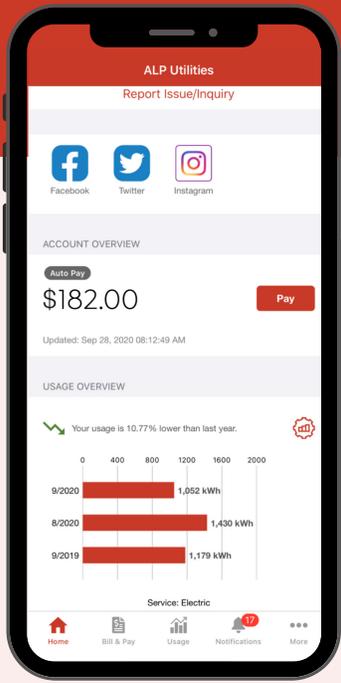
ACCOUNT NAME

UTILITY ACCOUNT NUMBER

SIGNATURE

DATE





THE TOP 10 REASONS TO LOVE SMARTHUB



1. Provides 24/7 secure access to your account from a computer, tablet or mobile phone.
2. Notifies you when a new electric bill has been generated and includes a link to your account for quick payment of your bill or to review your account information.
3. Allows you to pay electronically using your Visa, MasterCard or Discover OR an electronic check transaction.
4. Allows you to set up recurring automatic payments using your checking or savings account.
5. Displays postings of payments in real time, so you know your payment has been applied.
6. Provides current and historical monthly billing information and payment history.
7. Stay up to date on important communications from ALP.
8. Gives you the option to go paperless, if you choose.
9. Opt in to receive text message alerts.
10. Allows you to set up payment alerts. Includes a FREE app for your smartphone or tablet. Simply search for "SmartHub" on either the Apple Store or Google Play. Once the app is open, type in "ALP Utilities" as the power provider. Your login information is the same as what has been set up in SmartHub.

DOWNLOAD TODAY:



Check out the PayNow option for quick one time credit card or check payments online.

Visit: alputilities.com/smarthub for more information

Winter Weather Reminders

Keep snow and ice 3 feet away from fire hydrants.

In case of a fire, fire fighters need to be able to get to the hydrants quickly to protect people and property.



Keep your meter clear this winter. Carefully remove snow and ice accumulations.

Keep snow blowers, snowplows and other powered equipment away to avoid damage.



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