

Southwest Gas wants to raise El Dorado County rates

Southwest Gas wants to raise rates effective Jan. 1.

A residential customer in South Lake Tahoe using 73 therms a month now pays \$66.20. A rate increase would put that monthly bill at \$73.41.

The California Public Utilities Commission is having evidentiary hearings from Aug. 12-16 at 10am in San Francisco.

Southwest Gas in December applied for the rate increase to up its operating margin for natural gas service in El Dorado County. The company wants to make \$2.8 million more or 13.6 percent.

Southwest says the increase is to “recover the reasonable costs the company will incur to own and operate the facilities used to maintain and provide safe and reliable natural gas service to its California customers.”

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