

LEGAL NOTICE

On September 30, 2022, Liberty Utilities (Pine Bluff Water) Inc. filed an application with the Arkansas Public Service Commission for a change in the rates to be charged all classes of its customers. The request is based on a historic year ending December 31, 2021, with known and measurable changes through December 31, 2022, and seeks to cover increases in operating expenses and return on investment in plant investments, increases in expenses, and upgrades to facilities to service customers since the Company's last general rate adjustment. The total amount of the requested rate increase is \$5,717,158. The amount of the rate change from the various customer classes that would be produced based on the proposed changes to new schedules by customer class, the current and proposed rates by meter size and consumption per cubic feet are set out below.:

First Year

<u>Customer Class</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Increase Percentage</u>
Residential	\$547,858	11.8%
Commercial	\$403,730	27.0%
Industrial	\$826,383	48.0%
Public Authority	\$96,747	10.8%
Resale	\$3,011	0.5%

<u>Customer Charge by Meter Size</u>	<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
5/8"	\$15.13	\$17.48
3/4"	\$20.13	\$23.25
1"	\$26.82	\$30.99
1 1/2"	\$40.71	\$47.05
2"	\$58.62	\$67.74
3"	\$95.23	\$110.05
4"	\$148.89	\$172.05
6"	\$308.52	\$356.53

<u>Customer Class CCF</u>	<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Residential: Consumption per 100 cubic feet	\$2.0274	\$2.1735
Commercial: Consumption per 100 cubic feet	\$1.4706	\$1.9966
Industrial: Consumption		
For the first 3,000 CCF, per 100 cubic feet	\$1.4097	\$1.5947
In excess of 3,000 CCF, per 100 cubic feet	\$1.3229	\$2.2118
Public Authority	\$1.3812	\$1.5153
Resale	\$1.3812	\$1.3828

Second Year

<u>Customer Class</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Increase Percentage</u>
Residential	\$547,859	10.7%
Commercial	\$403,730	22.0%
Industrial	\$826,382	32.6%
Public Authority	\$96,748	9.8%
Resale	\$3,011	4.6%

<u>Customer Charge by Meter Size</u>	<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
5/8"	\$17.48	\$20.39
3/4"	\$23.25	\$27.11
1"	\$30.99	\$36.14
1 1/2"	\$47.05	\$54.85
2"	\$67.74	\$78.99
3"	\$110.05	\$128.32
4"	\$172.05	\$200.62
6"	\$356.53	\$415.71

<u>Customer Class CCF</u>	<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Residential: Consumption per 100 cubic feet	\$2.1735	\$2.2301
Commercial: Consumption per 100 cubic feet	\$1.9966	\$2.4819
Industrial: Consumption		
For the first 3,000 CCF, per 100 cubic feet	\$1.5947	\$2.1177
In excess of 3,000 CCF, per 100 cubic feet	\$2.2118	\$2.9372
Public Authority	\$1.5153	\$1.6381
Resale	\$1.3828	\$1.3830

Third Year

<u>Customer Class</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Increase Percentage</u>
Residential	\$547,859	9.7%
Commercial	\$403,730	18.0%
Industrial	\$826,383	24.6%
Public Authority	\$96,747	8.9%
Resale	\$3,011	4.4%

<u>Customer Charge by Meter Size</u>	<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
5/8"	\$20.39	\$22.11
3/4"	\$27.11	\$29.40
1"	\$36.14	\$39.20
1 1/2"	\$54.85	\$59.50
2"	\$78.99	\$85.67
3"	\$128.32	\$139.17
4"	\$200.62	\$217.60
6"	\$415.71	\$450.89

<u>Customer Class CCF</u>	<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Residential: Consumption per 100 cubic feet	\$2.2301	\$2.4789
Commercial: Consumption per 100 cubic feet	\$2.4819	\$3.0546
Industrial: Consumption		
For the first 3,000 CCF, per 100 cubic feet	\$2.1177	\$2.6431
In excess of 3,000 CCF, per 100 cubic feet	\$2.9372	\$3.6658
Public Authority	\$1.6381	\$1.7852
Resale	\$1.3830	\$1.3862

The amounts and percentages shown above and other rates and charges may change or be affected by a final order of the Arkansas Public Service Commission. Upon request, the Company will furnish any further information a customer desires concerning the percentage increase being sought for any rate schedule. In addition, the Company will, upon request, provide to any customer an estimate of the calculated average monthly dollar amount by which the proposed rates will increase the customer's water utility bill. Requests can be made at <https://arkansas.libertyutilities.com/pine-bluff/residential/> or by calling 1-855-382-6508.

The Commission has assigned Docket No. 22-064-U to this application. The Commission has 10 months in which to issue its order. The new rates are not expected to become effective until July 2022. The Commission rules provide procedures for interested persons to intervene as a party, make limited appearances or submit public comments in writing or orally at the hearing. The Commission has not yet established a procedural schedule or hearing dates for this matter. Further information may be obtained by visiting arkansas.gov/psc or contacting Ms. Jennifer Ivory, Secretary, Arkansas Public Service Commission, at jennifer.ivory@arkansas.gov, 501-682-5782, or 1000 Center Street, Little Rock, AR 72201.