



News Release

NOTICE OF DECISION

April 23, 2014

By Board Order 42/14, the Public Utilities Board (Board) approved Centra Gas Manitoba Inc.'s (Centra) application to increase the current Primary Gas rate from \$0.1382/m³ to \$0.1567/m³ effective May 1, 2014. Primary Gas is sold at cost by Centra to Manitoba customers.

The projected annual bill impact for a typical residential customer is an increase of approximately 4.6% or \$38/year. Primary Gas rates will be reviewed again August 1, 2014.

Primary Gas rates for customers that have signed fixed-term fixed-price contracts, with either Centra or a private broker, are not affected.

Natural gas commodity prices can be volatile. Customers should consider options for reducing their energy consumption including, most importantly, high-efficiency gas-fired furnaces and improved insulation. Manitoba Hydro offers energy efficiency programs, including special programs for lower-income customers. In particular, the lower-income furnace replacement program is available to eligible customers.

A copy of the Order, which contains significant additional information, may be reviewed on the Board's website www.pub.gov.mb.ca, or be obtained through the Board's Office.

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