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## FEBRUARY 2023

**Due Date:**  
**February 27,**  
**Monday**

Your payment is on time if it is received on the due date by closing time at our payment locations. Mail in time to meet this date or drop your payment at:

**River Falls Location:**

Our office, 415 S. 2nd Street.  
Due date deadline: 5 p.m.

**Prescott Location:**

First National Bank,  
1151 N. Canton Street.

Due date deadline:

lobby - 5 p.m.,  
drive-up window - 5 p.m.

**Bank Online bill payers:**

allow 10 business days for  
your payment check to reach  
us to avoid late fees.



ONLINE: Visit us at

**[www.stcroixgas.com](http://www.stcroixgas.com)**.

You can click through to pay by credit card or check with Payment Service Network. Or call PSN at 877-885-7968. There is a \$4.40 transaction charge.

**Or... AutoPay is FREE and automatic each month—details on our website. Pair it with Budget Plan to make your gas bill payment amount predictable.**

# Notice to customers of St. Croix Valley Natural Gas

## Rate Case hearing

St. Croix Valley Natural Gas Company, Inc. (St. Croix Gas) filed an application with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSCW) on April 15, 2022 for authority to increase its natural gas rates. The Company filed at this time due to increased cost of operations since 2020.

The Company is requesting an overall increase in revenues of \$551,600 annually, or approximately 4.8% over 2020 rates. The impact of the Company's proposal on a residential customer using 832 therms annually would average approximately \$3.33 monthly, or \$40.00 per year. Final rates may vary from those proposed by the Company and will be determined by the Commission.

**Public Hearing.** A hearing on the Company's application will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2023 at 4:00 PM. This will be a Zoom hearing hosted by the PSCW. Persons wishing to participate may attend by computer at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8095132930>. If you do not have an internet connection, you can join the hearing by telephone by dialing (312) 626-6799. When prompted, enter the meeting ID: 809 513 2930. A Zoom connection will be available at the Company's office for those without access to a computer or telephone. Questions regarding this matter may be directed to Don Piepgras, President, St. Croix Gas, (715) 425-6177 or [don@stcroixgas.com](mailto:don@stcroixgas.com), or the docket coordinator at the PSCW, John King, at (608) 266-5423 or [John.King@wisconsin.gov](mailto:John.King@wisconsin.gov). All information regarding this application is available online at the PSCW's website, <https://apps.psc.wi.gov>, Docket 5230-GR-109, Documents.

**Web Comment:** File a comment on the internet. Go to the Commission's website at <http://psc.wi.gov>, click the dropdown menu labeled "Commission Action", select the item labeled "File a Public Comment". On the next page select the "File a comment" link that appears for docket number 5230-GR-109. Web comments shall be received no later than February 24, 2023.

**Live Comment.** Make a live comment live at the hearing. The Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) may receive live comments from any member of the public in attendance after the close of any party and Commission staff testimony. The ALJ will receive such comments by stating the name of each member of the public connected to the hearing, one at a time, and asking if they would like to comment.

## U.S. Natural Gas market price forecast: Down 25% in 2023

The U.S. Energy Information Administration predicts a decline of approximately 25% in natural gas prices in 2023 compared to 2022. Domestic use is expected to continue to decline and liquid natural gas exports to remain relatively flat.

This is the cost of the commodity itself, not the rate for delivery charged by St. Croix Gas.

See the US EIA website for more detail. <https://www.eia.gov/outlooks/steo/>.