

Budget Billing Plan



How Does It Work?

Throughout the year, your monthly energy bill fluctuates. Seasons change, heating and cooling costs rise and fall, and energy use varies. This can make it difficult to manage your expenses. That's why MidAmerican Energy offers budget billing.

Our Budget Billing Plan is a free program designed to ease the fluctuation of your monthly bills. Instead of paying your actual energy costs each month, you pay an averaged amount with no unexpected surprises.

While the Budget Billing Plan is not a discount program and offers no savings or lower rates, you do get the convenience of a more predictable bill.



MAKE BUDGET BILLING WORK FOR YOU

- When you enroll in the Budget Billing Plan, be sure to discuss the budget amount with one of our representatives to ensure it reflects your general energy use.
- Weather, price and usage impact your energy costs. Keep track of your budget balance on your bills and contact us if you have any questions or concerns.
- Read your budget billing messages every month so you know if a change is coming.

KEEP YOUR ENERGY COSTS DOWN

Your electricity and/or natural gas use has a direct impact on your energy costs and therefore, your budget bill amount. MidAmerican Energy is dedicated to helping you reduce your use, while keeping your costs as low as possible.

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CALCULATING YOUR BUDGET BILL AMOUNT

We calculate your average monthly bill amount based on projected energy prices and the cost of the previous 24 months of usage at your home or business. If you just moved in or it's new construction, you may want to wait until you have your own usage history before enrolling in the plan. However, if you want to start the Budget Billing Plan right away, we can estimate a budget bill amount for you.

REVIEWING YOUR BUDGET BILL AMOUNT

You can choose to have your budget bill amount reviewed every three months or every six months. Eligible residential customers also can choose an annual review. That means the amount you pay each month may change as many as four times a year or as few as once a year.

During the review process, we will recalculate your average monthly cost, take projected energy costs into consideration, and factor in your budget balance – the difference between the amount you've been billed and the cost of the energy you've used. Periodic reviews of your Budget Billing Plan help to ensure your payments are on track with your actual usage. Occasionally changing your budget bill amount helps keep the amount you owe or the credit due at the end of the Plan year to a minimum.

YEAR-END REVIEW

At the end of 12 months, we compare the cost of the energy you've actually used with the amount you've been billed under the Budget Billing Plan. There are two options on how to handle this budget balance – the amount you owe us or the amount we owe you – at the end of your plan year.

- **Rollover:** The balance is rolled over into the next year's Budget Billing Plan and is considered in the review calculation for your new budget bill amount.
- **Apply:** At the end of 12 months, the balance is added to or subtracted from your current amount due.

YOUR MONTHLY BILL

You can keep track of how the budget bill amount compares to your actual usage by reviewing the Budget Billing Plan section of your bill. For example:

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E Your budget bill amount was reviewed and changed to \$154 effective with your next bill. Your Budget Billing Plan will be reviewed periodically and you will be notified of the results through a bill message. March is your year-end review month.	Budget Bill Amount \$177.00 A
During this budget plan year you have been billed \$129.32 more than your energy costs.	Current Month
	Total Current Costs \$133.63 B Difference Applied to Budget Balance \$43.37 CR C
	Budget Plan Summary
	Current Month Balance \$129.32 CR Previous Month Balance \$85.95 CR
	Budget Payments Billed to Date \$1062.00 D Energy Costs to Date \$932.68

- A** Budget Bill Amount – Your budget billing charges for the current month.
- B** Total Current Costs – Your actual energy charges for the current month.
- C** Difference Applied to Budget Balance – The difference between your budget billing charges for the current month and your actual energy charges for the current month is applied to your budget balance. (CR = Credit)
- D** Compare the total amount billed under the Budget Billing Plan with the total amount you would have been billed otherwise. A difference is normal, and is part of how budget billing works.
- E** A message is displayed on your bill when your Budget Billing Plan is reviewed and will notify you of any change.

Enroll ONE OF THREE WAYS:



1. Call our toll-free customer service line, **888-427-5632**.
2. Go to our Web site, www.midamericanenergy.com and log in to your Web account or set one up as a new user.
3. Visit a customer office.

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