



March 2025 Newsletter

Cybersecurity Awareness

As we rely more and more on digital platforms for communication, it's crucial to follow cybersecurity best practices to ensure the security and integrity of our systems and yours.

- Use Strong Passwords and Multi-Factor Authentication.
- Be cautious of emails and links, know before you click.
- Update software to protect against the latest threats.
- Be cautious when using public Wi-Fi. Avoid accessing sensitive information; use secure Wi-Fi connections when possible.
- Be aware, hackers can easily alter an email address to make it appear legitimate by making subtle, hard to detect changes.

If there are ever issues with your gas account, GLDC Gas will contact you directly. However, you should be cautious of any unsolicited messages, even if they claim to be from us. If you receive suspicious communication claiming to be from GLDC Gas, the safest course of action is to contact our office directly to verify its legitimacy.

2025 AGM Update

REMINDER: The AGM will be held **May 14, 2025** at the Gas Co-op office located at **4402 54 Ave. Rimbey**. Doors open at 5:45 pm, Hamburger BBQ at 6:00 pm with meeting commencing at 7:00 pm.

2025 forms for Director nomination were sent out with February billing and made available on our website at www.gldcogas.com/agm. You can also obtain nomination forms at the GLDC Gas main office.

Even if you do not want to become a director, but interested in learning about your local Co-op, meeting the Board of Directors, management and staff, please stay connected and join us for the Annual Meeting. We hope to see you there.

Please RSVP by calling the office at 403-843-1050 or by emailing admin@gldcogas.com

Carbon Tax Increase

Effective April 1, 2025 the new carbon tax rate will be \$ 4.863/GJ

Please see the reverse side of this Newsletter for more information.

Bill Payment Options

Equalized Payment: This allows members to pay a fixed monthly amount based on their average annual gas consumption starting May 1st.

To qualify, members must have at least one year of prior gas usage history.

Gas bills are payable **in person** at the G.L.D.C. Gas Co-op office by cheque, cash or debit; and in person at banking facilities.

Pre-Authorized Auto Debit: Provide authorization with a copy of a VOID cheque.

Mail: Cheques can be mailed to us at Box 1909, Rimbey AB T0C 2J0.

Credit Card: Option Pay <https://payment.optionpay.ca/gull-lake-deer-creek-gas-co-op-ltd/index.php>

On-line banking with your banking institution.

Drop boxes located at G.L.D.C Gas Co-op office, Bentley IDA, Rimbey Value Drug Mart, or the Gull Lake Wooden Shoe Store. **CHEQUE only please (NO CASH)** at these drop box locations.

2025 Construction Season

Rural Infill Costs - \$8,250.00
Urban Infill Costs - \$4,500.00



CARBON TAX IMPACT

INCREASE EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2025

These rates are prescribed by the Government of Canada on an increasing scale and are scheduled to increase by \$15 per tonne per year, rising to **\$95 per tonne on April 1, 2025**.

Following engagement with provinces, territories and Indigenous leaders, the minimum price on carbon pollution (for direct pricing systems) will increase by \$15 per tonne per year starting in 2023 through to 2030.

Natural Gas Utilities are required to charge these rates as per the federal Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act. All fees charged under this Act are remitted directly to Revenue Canada.

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
\$/Carbon tonne	\$50	\$65	\$80	\$95	\$110	\$125	\$140	\$155	\$170
Carbon Tax per GJ for Natural Gas	2.630	3.327	4.095	4.863	5.631	6.399	7.167	7.932	8.700
Average annual cost	\$715.36	\$904.97	\$1,113.86	\$1,322.76	\$1,531.65	\$1,740.55	\$1,949.44	\$2,157.61	\$2,366.50

The Projected Carbon Tax rate per GJ for 2025 through to 2030 is estimate only and subject to change

Source: Gas Alberta Inc./Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. (Average consumption per Rural consumer = 272 Gjs.)

On April 1, 2025 this charge increases to \$4.863/GJ

The new rate was automatically applied to your bill for natural gas consumed beginning April 1, 2025.

For questions and inquiries on Federal Fuel Charge (Carbon Tax), please visit:

www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/excise-taxes-duties-levies/fuel-charge.html