

Overview

BGE customers will see multiple increases in their energy bill in 2025. While some of the total increase is driven by BGE's investments, the majority is outside of BGE's control—and, ultimately, not paid to BGE. It's important for customers to be aware of what to expect so they can budget accordingly.

The table below lists each increase and when they will first appear on BGE's monthly bill. All dollar amounts are for average combined residential gas and electric customers (using 55 therms and 628 kWh per month).

Increase	Amount (monthly)	Cost driver	Start date (2025)
Distribution rates	\$7.77	BGE	January
EmPOWER	\$3.34	*NOT BGE*	January
MYP reconciliation	\$1.55	BGE	Spring/TBD
Generation (SOS)	\$9.22	*NOT BGE*	June
Transmission RMR	\$4.18	*NOT BGE*	June
Total	\$26.06		

Cost drivers: BGE

Both bill increases driven by BGE support ongoing investments in infrastructure to improve the safety, reliability, and resilience of energy delivery service for customers and to help the state of Maryland achieve its climate goals.

- **Distribution rates:** This increase was approved by the Maryland Public Service Commission (PSC) in a December 2023 order on BGE's 2024-2026 multi-year plan (MYP).
- **MYP reconciliation:** BGE is requesting the PSC approve recovery of \$152 million in costs that were not recovered in 2023 due to the highest rates of inflation in 40 years and significant supply chain disruptions, among other factors. Reconciliation is part of the multi-year plan process, which is regulated and overseen by the PSC. (Note: this amount will be finalized when the PSC issues its order this spring.)

Total increase driven by BGE: \$9.32 per month for the average combined service residential customer

Cost drivers: Not BGE

BGE has no control over 64% of an average combined service residential customer's total projected 2025 monthly bill increase. These costs are paid through a customer's BGE bill, but not paid to BGE. The drivers are varied.

- **EmPOWER:** The increase in this fee is the result of the Maryland General Assembly changing the program's goal from reducing electricity use to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and a mandated accounting change in how BGE collects and disburses the program's funds.
- **Generation (SOS):** Residential customers on standard offer service (SOS) for their energy supply will see an increase in the cost of electricity, driven by the spike in PJM Interconnection's capacity auction prices for the 12-month period beginning June 2025. Capacity prices increased substantially due to a significant drop in electricity supply caused by continued retirements of fossil-fuel powered generators in the region coupled with dramatic increases in electricity demand. This is made worse by a constrained transmission grid that makes it more expensive to import electricity into Maryland. Customers' supply payments go to generators that bid into the market.
- **Transmission RMR:** Electric supply costs will increase by an additional ~\$4 per month in June due to this reliability-must-run (RMR) fee that has been mandated by the regional grid operator, PJM Interconnection. This increase will be paid to Talen Energy to keep two generating facilities running past their planned retirement date until transmission projects can be built to ensure long-term grid reliability.

Total increase outside BGE's control: \$16.74 per month for the average combined service residential customer

We're Here to Help!

Create a Plan

We are here to help you manage your energy. Explore the many assistance programs available and determine which programs best fit your needs.

Assistance Finder: Your first step for creating a customized energy plan, this tool will show you programs and benefits that can help you get the most from your energy dollar.

Visit bge.com/AssistanceFinder or scan the QR code to get started today.



Financial Assistance Programs

<p>OHEP Energy Assistance: Through the Maryland Office of Home Energy Programs, income-qualified customers can access a variety of energy assistance grants.</p>	<p>Fuel Fund of Maryland: This nonprofit organization that provides financial assistance to income-qualified customers who need help paying their utility bills.</p>
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Manage My Bill

<p>Payment Arrangements: If you've been struggling with past due balances, BGE can help with a Deferred Payment Arrangement Plan for eligible customers.</p>	<p>Budget Billing: For customers looking for predictable monthly payments, this program offers consistent monthly payment based on your past 12 months of usage.</p>
<p>Due Date Extension: BGE offers eligible customers a 30-day due date extension if it has been more than 90 days since your last Due Date Extension.</p>	<p>Alerts and Notifications: Stay informed with High Usage Alerts, Weekly Usage Alerts, and Home Energy Reports to avoid surprises on your energy bill.</p>

Save Money and Energy

<p>Limited Income Energy Efficiency Program: This EmPOWER Maryland Program helps income-qualified households with energy-efficient home improvement assistance.</p>	<p>Weatherization Assistance Program: This program, operated by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, helps income-qualified households install energy saving materials in their homes.</p>
<p>Quick Home Energy Check-up*: With this EmPOWER Maryland sponsored program, a certified checkup professional will come to your home to inspect its energy efficiency—at no additional cost for BGE customers.</p>	<p>Energy Efficiency*: BGE, through EmPOWER Maryland, offers incentives for using less energy, rebates and discounts on energy-saving products and services, and programs to optimize your heating/cooling appliances.</p>

To learn more about any of these tools, including information on how to see if you qualify, visit bge.com/HereToHelp.

If you have any questions or concerns about your bill, please contact BGE Customer Care at 800-685-0123.

**This program supports the EmPOWER Maryland Energy Efficiency Act.*