



Dear Central Maine Power Customer,

This letter, along with the enclosed notice, provides details on CMP's recent rate case filing and explains our approach to maintaining price stability and affordability, while making essential grid investments in communities across Maine.

To support the balance between affordability and the service reliability provided by grid investments, CMP is asking the Maine Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) to consider two items at the same time:

- A one-year rate plan covering May 1, 2027 through April 30, 2028, which includes refundable temporary rates that would apply beginning on July 1, 2026.
- CMP's 2025 Annual Compliance Filing (ACF), which lowers the portion of current rates tied to repair costs from extreme storms in 2023 and 2024. These storms caused significant damage and many of the related costs will be recovered by June 30, 2026. As a result, these costs may be removed from customer bills beginning in July.

The enclosed notice from the MPUC only provides information on CMP's one-year rate plan and shows the rate increases that would occur under that plan alone. If both the one-year rate plan and CMP's ACF are agreed to, however, this combined approach would provide immediate rate relief and nearly two years of distribution rate stability for customers. This includes:

- A \$4.00 monthly bill **decrease** for the average residential customer starting in July 2026.
- No bill increases from distribution charges through April 2027. Any future adjustments to distribution rates will undergo a full, transparent review and approval process by the MPUC later this year.

Our approach, combining the ACF and the one-year rate plan, helps keep customer rates stable while supporting ongoing improvements to grid reliability. CMP's investments over the past several years have improved reliability and resiliency, and for the past three years, we've exceeded MPUC standards for outage frequency and duration.

This proposal affects only *distribution* charges. Storm costs for 2026 and other bill components, such as supply, transmission, and public policy, may change, which could impact whether your total electricity bill changes. CMP is not responsible for and does not profit from supply and public policy charges.

Our plan is designed to balance the importance of affordability with the need for a reliable grid. At a time when many expenses are increasing, frequent or long-lasting outages can create real hardships for families, businesses, schools, healthcare providers, childcare centers and more. Our efforts continue to focus on preventing outages whenever possible and shortening them when they do occur, even as extreme weather becomes more common in Maine.

Thank you for being a valued CMP customer. We encourage you to contact us directly at [800.750.4000](tel:800.750.4000) if you have a question or concern about your electric bill.



## Maine Public Utilities Commission Required Customer Notice

On or around April 17, 2026, Central Maine Power Company (CMP) filed a request with the Maine Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") to increase its distribution rates. Included as part of the request is an amount for refundable temporary rates, as discussed below. The case has been assigned Docket No. 2026-00043. Note that this notice does not address other distribution rate changes that result from other Commission cases even if those rate changes would become effective during the same period. For example, this notice does not reflect bill impacts from distribution rate changes that are anticipated to take effect on July 1, 2026, as a result of CMP's 2025 Annual Compliance Filing in Docket No. 2026-00011.

If approved, the Commission anticipates that the new rates would go into effect on or around May 1, 2027. If the rate request is granted, a typical residential customer with usage of 550 kWh per month would see an increase of about \$18 per month. A customer using 750 kWh would see an increase of approximately \$22 per month, and a customer using 1,000 kWh would see an increase of about \$28 per month. The requested change represents an increase of approximately 10% in the total bill of a typical residential customer, and approximately \$189 million in additional annual revenues. The Commission understands that CMP proposes that any percentage increase in approved rates be applied equally to the current rates for residential, commercial, and industrial customers.

CMP also proposes that a portion of the rate request be implemented sooner as temporary rates during the proceeding, which are subject to partial or full refund if the Commission approves an amount less than the increase allowed as temporary rates. If approved, customer bills would be impacted on or about July 1, 2026. The typical residential customer with usage of 550 kWh per month would see an increase of about \$7 per month. Then, on or about May 1, 2027, the rate increase would be \$11 rather than the \$18 referenced above.

You may participate in the distribution rate proceeding before the Commission in several ways:

1. If you want to be notified when a filing is made in the case or when Commission orders are issued, you may add your name to the case notification list using the Commission's online case management system (CMS). For information on how to register and use the system, please access the information at [www.maine.gov/mpuc/online-services/](http://www.maine.gov/mpuc/online-services/). Again, the case has been assigned Docket No. 2026-00043.
2. You may petition to intervene. If your petition to intervene is granted, you will be a party with the right to participate formally in the case. Your petition may be submitted through the Commission's CMS and must include the name and docket number of this proceeding (Docket No. 2026-00043) as well as the manner in which you are affected by this proceeding. Your petition must also include a short, plain statement of the nature and extent of the participation you seek,

and a statement of the nature of the evidence or argument you intend to submit. You may also submit your petition in writing via U.S. mail to the Commission's Administrative Director, Maine Public Utilities Commission, 18 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0018. Your petition to intervene must be filed with the Commission no later than April 30, 2026. The Commission will hold the initial case conference for this case on May 1, 2026, commencing at 2:00 p.m. at the Commission's offices at 26 Katherine Drive, Hallowell, Maine.

3. You may file a public comment through the Commission's CMS by accessing <https://mpuc-cms.maine.gov/CQM.Public.WebUI/Comments/CaseNumberSearch.aspx> using case number 2026-00043.

4. The Commission will hold public witness hearings. You may appear as a witness and give your views. The Commission has scheduled the following public witness hearings:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>
June 9, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.	South Portland Community Center, Casco Bay Room, 21 Nelson Road, South Portland
June 23, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.	Lewiston Public Library, Callahan Room, 200 Lisbon Street, Lewiston

THE COMMISSION MAY NOT PUBLISH ANY FURTHER NOTICES OF THIS PROCEEDING OR ANY HEARINGS.

For more information about this proceeding, contact the Commission at 207-287-3831 or [www.maine.gov/mpuc](http://www.maine.gov/mpuc), or contact CMP Regulatory Services at 207-623-3521 or visit [www.cmpco.com/pricing](http://www.cmpco.com/pricing). In addition, the Office of the Public Advocate provides guidance on how to participate at the Commission at [www.maine.gov/meopa/puc-information](http://www.maine.gov/meopa/puc-information) and can be reached at 207-624-3687.