



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

### NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 25-97

September 11, 2025

Petition of Boston Gas Company d/b/a National Grid for approval of its annual pension adjustment factor rate adjustment and reconciliation filing for effect November 1, 2025.

On August 1, 2025, Boston Gas Company d/b/a National Grid ("Company") filed a petition with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") for approval of its annual pension and post-retirement benefits other than pensions adjustment factors ("PAFs"). The Department has docketed this petition as D.P.U. 25-97.

The PAF is a component of the Company's Local Distribution Adjustment Factor ("LDAF"), pursuant to its Local Distribution Adjustment Clause tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 60.9. The Company's proposed LDAF for effect November 1, 2025, is currently under review in D.P.U. 25-PGAF-GRID.

For customers in the Boston Gas Company ("Boston Gas") service area and in the former Colonial Gas Company ("Colonial Gas") service area, the Company proposes the following PAF credits for effect November 1, 2025:

Rate Class	PAF Credit (per therm)
Residential	(\$0.0260)
Small Commercial & Industrial ("C&I")	(\$0.0190)
Medium C&I	(\$0.0143)
Large C&I	(\$0.0101)
Extra-large C&I	(\$0.0076)

If the Department approves the PAFs as proposed, the Company states that customers will experience the following PAF-related bill decreases. The Company has proposed other changes to its rates effective November 1, 2025, in D.P.U. 25-PGAF-GRID, which will also have an impact on customers' bills.

For customers in the Boston Gas service area:

- the average residential non-heating customer (R-1) using on average 14 therms of gas per month during the peak period (November 1 through April 30) will experience a PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.09 (or 0.2 percent);
- the average residential non-heating customer (R-1) using on average 8 therms of gas per month during the off-peak period (May 1 through October 31) will experience a PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.05 (or 0.2 percent);
- the average residential non-heating low-income customer (R-2) using 17 therms of gas per month during the peak period (November 1 through April 30) will experience an average monthly PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.08 (or 0.2 percent);
- the average residential non-heating low-income customer (R-2) using 10 therms of gas per month during the off-peak period (May 1 through October 31) will experience an average monthly PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.04 (or 0.2 percent);
- the average residential heating customer (R-3) using on average 106 therms of gas per month during peak period (November 1 through April 30) will experience a PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.66 (or 0.2 percent);
- the average residential heating customer (R-3) using on average 22 therms of gas per month during the off-peak period (May 1 through October 31) will experience a PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.14 (or 0.2 percent);
- the average residential heating low-income customer (R-4) using 106 therms per month during the peak period (November 1 through April 30) will experience an average monthly PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.49 (or 0.2 percent);
- the average residential heating low-income customer (R-4) using 24 therms per month during the off-peak period (May 1 through October 31) will experience an average monthly PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.11 (or 0.3 percent); and
- bill decreases for C&I gas customers will vary. For specific bill impacts, please contact the Company as shown below.

For customers in the former Colonial Gas service area:

- the average residential non-heating customer (R-1) using on average 14 therms of gas per month during the peak period (November 1 through April 30) will experience a PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.8 (or 0.2 percent);

- the average residential non-heating customer (R-1) using on average 8 therms of gas per month during the off-peak period (May 1 through October 31) will experience a PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.04 (or 0.1 percent);
- the average residential non-heating low-income customer (R-2) using 17 therms of gas per month during the peak period (November 1 through April 30) will experience an average monthly PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.08 (or 0.2 percent);
- the average residential non-heating low-income customer (R-2) using 10 therms of gas per month during the off-peak period (May 1 through October 31) will experience an average monthly PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.05 (or 0.2 percent);
- the average residential heating customer (R-3) using on average 106 therms of gas per month during peak period (November 1 through April 30) will experience a PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.65 (or 0.3 percent);
- the average residential heating customer (R-3) using on average 22 therms of gas per month during the off-peak period (May 1 through October 31) will experience a PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.13 (or 0.3 percent);
- the average residential heating low-income customer (R-4) using 106 therms per month during the peak period (November 1 through April 30) will experience an average monthly PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.50 (or 0.3 percent);
- the average residential heating low-income customer (R-4) using 24 therms per month during the off-peak period (May 1 through October 31) will experience an average monthly PAF-related bill decrease of \$0.11 (or 0.3 percent); and
- bill decreases for C&I gas customers will vary. For specific bill impacts, please contact the Company as shown below.

Any person interested in commenting on this matter may submit written comments no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, October 1, 2025**, using the method described below. The Department strongly encourages public comments to be submitted by email. If, however, a member of the public is unable to send written comments by email, a paper copy may be sent to Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110.

Any person who desires to participate in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding shall file a petition for leave to intervene no later than 5:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, October 1, 2025**. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 CMR 1.03. Receipt by the Department constitutes filing and determines whether a petition is timely filed. A petition filed late may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver under 220 CMR 1.101(4). To be allowed, a petition under 220 CMR 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10. All responses to petitions for leave to intervene

must be filed by the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on the second business day after the petition for leave to intervene was filed.

All documents should be submitted to the Department in **.pdf format** by email attachment to [dpu.efiling@mass.gov](mailto:dpu.efiling@mass.gov) and [laurie.e.weisman@mass.gov](mailto:laurie.e.weisman@mass.gov). In addition, one copy of all documents should be submitted by email to the Company's attorney, Joseph Dorfler, Esq., at [jdorfler@richmaylaw.com](mailto:jdorfler@richmaylaw.com). The text of the email must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 25-97); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document.

All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website through our online [File Room](#) as soon as practicable (enter "25-97" on the line for "Docket No."). Please note that in the interest of transparency, any public comments will be posted to our website as received and without redacting personal information, such as addresses, telephone numbers, or email addresses. As such, consider the extent of information you wish to share when submitting comments. To the extent a person or entity wishes to submit comments or intervene in accordance with this Notice, electronic submission, as detailed above, is sufficient.

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For further information regarding the Company's filing, please contact the Company's attorney, Joseph Dorfler, Esq., at [jdorfler@richmaylaw.com](mailto:jdorfler@richmaylaw.com). For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Laurie Ellen Weisman, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at [laurie.e.weisman@mass.gov](mailto:laurie.e.weisman@mass.gov).

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