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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS

JEFF HATCH-MILLER, Chairman  
WILLIAM A. MUNDELL  
MARC SPITZER  
MIKE GLEASON  
KRISTIN K. MAYES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ) DOCKET NO. G-02528A-05-0687  
DUNCAN RURAL SERVICES CORPORATION )  
FOR APPROVAL OF ADJUSTMENT TO ) **CUSTOMER NOTICE**  
PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTOR SURCHARGE. )

In compliance with Decision No. 68297 (November 14, 2005), Duncan Rural Services Corporation ("DRSC") hereby files a statement concerning mailing of notice in this matter.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 2005.

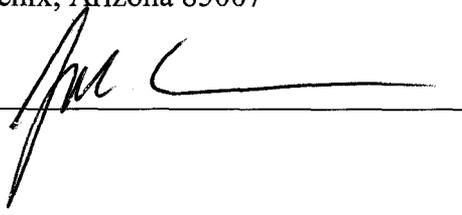
By 

John Wallace  
Grand Canyon State Electric Cooperative Association  
120 North 44<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 100  
Phoenix, AZ 85034

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1 Original and thirteen (13) copies of  
2 Duncan Rural Services Corporation Customer Notice  
3 filed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2005  
4 with:

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6 Arizona Corporation Commission  
7 1200 West Washington Street  
8 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

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**Postal Pros, Inc.  
3700 Osuna Rd. NE #708  
Albuquerque, NM 87109**

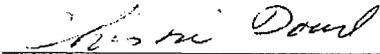
December 3, 2005

Steve Lunt  
Duncan Valley Electric Cooperative  
PO 440  
Duncan AZ 85534

Subject: Certification of Mailing

Steve:

This letter will certify that a Gas Rate Increase letter was send to 702 gas customers. All mailings were done from Postal Pros, Inc. in Albuquerque, NM on November 25, 2005.

  
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Christine Dowd, President

Duncan Rural Service Corporation  
 222 N. Highway 75  
 P.O. Box 440  
 Duncan, AZ 85534  
 Telephone (928) 359-2503

December 1, 2005

To Our Gas Customers:

RE: Purchased Gas Adjustor Surcharge

Duncan Rural Service Corporation ("DRSC") is the local gas distribution service provider. As such, we purchase gas through the El Paso Pipeline and distribute it to you through our distribution system in DRSC's service territory.

On September 30, 2005, DRSC filed a request with the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) for an additional PGA surcharge of \$.60 per therm to be effective December 1, 2005, to cover the actual cost of gas caused by the nationwide increase in natural gas prices. After considering the analysis conducted and new information regarding projected natural gas costs as provided by DRSC, the ACC issued Decision #68297 on November 14, 2005 reducing the proposed surcharge from \$0.60 to \$0.45 per therm and approving its use in calculating customers' bills for all gas usage effective December 2005 to November 2006. The PGA surcharge will then be reduced to \$.10 per therm beginning in December 2006 until further order of the ACC.

Currently, you pay a base cost of gas of \$0.36 per therm. You also receive a Purchased Gas Adjustor (PGA) adjustment (increase) to your bill of \$0.24 per therm. This PGA adjustment amount, however, varies monthly. The additional surcharge of \$0.45 per therm starting on December 1, 2005 would make the total cost of gas approximately \$1.05 per therm. The \$0.45 surcharge will increase the average (75 therms) residential customer's monthly winter bill by \$33.75. The following table shows estimated customer bills with and without the surcharge depending upon the monthly gas usage. These amounts do not include sales tax.

Therms-Residential	Present Winter Gas Bill with \$0.24 Adjustment (Changes Monthly)	Winter Gas Bill with \$0.45 Surcharge	Change (Increase to Winter Bill Due to Surcharge)
25	\$41.00	\$52.25	\$11.25
75	\$93.00	\$126.75	\$33.75
100	\$119.00	\$164	\$45.00
Therms-Commercial			
500	\$542.50	\$767.50	\$225.00
1000	\$1,062.50	\$1,512.50	\$450.00
2000	\$2,102.50	\$3,002.50	\$900.00

If you want to obtain additional information about the PGA surcharge or its impact upon your bill, you can contact DRSC at (928) 359-2503.

If you are interested in energy saving tips or DRSC's average pay billing program, please call DRSC at (928) 359-2503 or refer to our website at [www.dvec.org](http://www.dvec.org).



## DUNCAN RURAL SERVICES CORPORATION

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### ALTERNATIVE HEATING SAFETY TIPS

**PORTABLE OR SPACE HEATERS** should always be at least 3 feet away from anything combustible, including walls, furniture, draperies, clothing, pets, and people. Space heaters are temporary devices and should be used only for a limited time each day. When you are not using your space heater, they should be unplugged and allowed to cool before storing. It is best to keep a window ajar or door open in a room where an unvented heater is being used. Never use heaters to dry clothing or other combustibles. Never leave heaters operating when you are not in the room, or when you go to bed. Never allow children to operate your space heater. Never leave children or pets unattended with space heaters. Never use heaters with frayed or damaged cords. Never hide cords under rugs or carpets. If you must use an extension cord, make sure it is rated for the amperage of the heater. Make sure you do not overload your circuits. Never use an electric space heater anywhere near a bathtub or sink. Never place heaters on furniture or countertops. Never place heaters in high traffic areas.

When purchasing heaters, make sure they are UL approved. Look for a guard around the flame or heating element to protect children or clothing. Some new heaters also have light indicators as to when the heater is plugged in or is turned on. Look for safety controls such as infrared or proximity sensors that turn the heater off if it is tipped over, objects come too close, or when children or pets are near. Buy a heater that is the correct size for the area you want to heat. The wrong size could produce more pollutants and may not be an efficient use of energy. Read and follow the operating instructions, and make sure all members of the household understand how to safely operate your heater.

**WOOD BURNING STOVES OR FIREPLACES** should be used to burn only wood, never for paper or waste material disposal. Seasoned wood (at least one year old) is best for burning, as soft or moist wood will cause a more rapid creosote buildup. Follow manufacturer's instructions when using synthetic logs. Using more than one, or breaking the logs, can cause an excessive amount of heat, and create more carbon monoxide than your fireplace can safely handle. Remember to protect your family and home by using a sturdy screen when burning fires. Never use charcoal indoors. Keep all flammable liquids away from your heat source. Do not discard hot ashes in or near the house, nor near combustible materials. Firewood should be stacked at least 30 feet away from your home. Chimneys should be cleaned before first use of the season. They should also be checked for cracks, loose masonry, and for separation from the structure. Check spark arrestors on the top of your chimney for clogging, and to be sure it is firmly attached. Make sure the fire is out, and the damper open before going to bed. A closed damper, with live coals, can cause the coals to re-ignite.

**PELLET STOVES** should be installed, maintained and used according to the manufacturer's instructions. Remember to keep combustible items such as clothing, furniture, and draperies away from the unit. Glass doors can also be a concern as they can become quite hot.

**DRSC** would also like to remind you to never use an oven or range-top for supplemental heating. Be sure to check your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors on a monthly basis. Develop a fire escape plan in case an emergency should arise.

The employees and directors of Duncan Rural Services encourage our consumers to take safe measures and precautions to ensure a safe, warm home through the upcoming winter.