

Utility Information for Gillette and Campbell County

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Utility Rate Information

The following information is current as of May 1, 2019.

Electric Power

There are two providers of electric power in Campbell County – Powder River Energy Corporation (PRECorp) for all areas of Campbell County except within the city limits of Gillette. The City of Gillette is the electrical service provider within the city limits. They are not only the provider, but own their own power plant on the outskirts of town.

City of Gillette

Commercial

- Base Charge: \$33.75
- KWH Charge: \$0.08670

General Service (Demand) Rate

- Base Charge: \$75.25
- Monthly Demand Charge: \$9.35
- KWH Charge: \$0. .05270
- No power factor adjustments apply

Powder River Energy (PRECorp)

General Service (Less than 50kVa)

- Base Charge: \$35.00
- Three Phase Base Charge: \$40.00
- KWH Charge: \$0.086564

Large Power (50 kVa or more)

- Base Charge: \$175.00
- Monthly demand charge:
 - \$3.25 for the first 50 kilowatts
 - \$6.25 for additional kilowatts.
- KWH Charge:
 - \$0.073114 for the first 200 kilowatts
 - \$0.053114 for additional kilowatts.

Natural Gas

Wyoming utilizes a “Choice Gas” program where each user can choose their method of billing from a supplier that they choose. In the Gillette area there are eight suppliers each offering a different plan. SourceGas Utility is the most commonly chosen supplier. They utilize a “pass through” rate that changes periodically, depending on the price of natural gas. Table 1 shows the eight suppliers in Gillette, and the number of selections for each supplier. Table 2 shows the monthly pass through rate for Gillette and Campbell County starting in May of 2019.

Table 1: Natural gas suppliers in Campbell County

Supplier	Number of Selections
Black Hills Energy Services	3550
WoodRiver Energy, LLC	908
Archer Energy, LLC	282
Wyoming Producer-Consumer Alliance	98
Wyoming Community Gas	3282
Vista Energy Marketing	2125
CenterPoint Energy Services, Inc	390
Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC	4211

**Table 2: Natural gas monthly
Pass-On-Rate per therm (Regulated Rate)
for the Gillette area**

Nov 2018	\$.33450
Dec 2018	\$.35700
Jan 2019	\$.35700
Feb 2019	\$.35700
Mar 2019	\$.41000
Apr 2019	\$.41000
May 2019	\$.41000

Wyoming Supplier Gas Pricing Options*

Price quotes are available by calling 1-866-432-6200 or by going to the Participating Suppliers' websites. The natural gas Suppliers participating in the Choice Gas Program offer customers a variety of pricing options, including the ones below. Suppliers may offer additional pricing options with caps and/or floors that ensure your rate will not go above or below a certain price. Check each of the Suppliers' websites for details about these and other pricing options they offer.

Fixed Rate Per Therm

A 12-month gas price per therm that is fixed or "locked in". This means that even if market prices change, your gas price per therm is locked in for the entire Choice Gas Program year. Your gas bill will vary based upon gas usage only.

Market Index Rate

A month-to-month market gas price per therm that changes each month based upon market price fluctuations. This price includes two components that should be considered when comparing market index prices: 1) The market index value used, and 2) the adder.

The index value of your price follows market changes each month, while the Adder remains constant throughout the Choice Gas Program year.

Blended Rate

A combination of monthly market index and/or fixed prices per therm. If a fixed price component is included, a portion of your gas usage is locked in at a fixed price. The gas price for the remaining portion of your gas usage will follow market changes during the Choice Gas Program year.

Fixed Monthly Bill

[Please Note: This is not Balanced Billing]

A fixed monthly bill that includes your commodity costs, customer charges, distribution fees and the associated taxes and fees. The fixed monthly amount will not change during the Choice Gas Program year, regardless of changes to gas prices or weather-related gas usage, subject to terms and conditions. Unlike Balanced Billing, there is no monthly or periodic adjustment.

Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate]

A per therm price based upon the Utility's projected cost of purchasing gas for resale. The Utility is required to exercise reasonable prudence in purchasing gas and is entitled to recover its actual cost of gas. The Utility's cost of the natural gas is passed on dollar-for-dollar. The Public Service Commission does not regulate market prices, however, it does regulate other aspects of the Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate].

The per therm gas price will be reviewed frequently, and changed periodically, based upon forward-looking market price fluctuations during the Choice Gas Program year. Prices also include surcharges (positive or negative) related to prior period true-up adjustments between the projected and actual gas prices and volumes. True-up surcharge adjustments will be made as needed during each Choice Gas Program year in order to track and recover the actual cost of gas from customers who receive service under the Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate] during each Program year.

* Black Hills Energy Services - [Supplier Gas Pricing Options | Black Hills Energy](#)

Water

Water and Sewer in Gillette are supplied by the City of Gillette. The City also supplies some areas outside of the city limits where special rates apply. In the areas that the city does not supply the water there are two sources. The first is a well drilled on your property. The second is a bit more complicated. In some areas close to Gillette people have joined private water districts. These private districts have their own wells, fees and rates. The private districts vary widely in quality of operations, pricing and water availability. When choosing a location it is important to understand who supplies the water. Drilling a well is permitted in all areas of the county. The rate information provided below is for the City of Gillette and the areas that they serve.

Residential (5/8" and 1" meters)

- Base Charge of \$6.50 plus \$3.95 x per 1000 gallons

Commercial (1 1/2" or larger meters)

- Base Charge of \$83.06 plus \$3.95 x per 1000 gallons

Wholesale (Regional Districts with a Master Meter)

- Base Charge of \$6.50/lot plus \$3.01 x per 1000 gallons

Bulk Water Rates (Domestic Use Only)

- Base Charge of \$6.50 plus \$3.01 x per 1000 gallons

Wastewater (Sewer)

Within the Gillette city limits, and in some areas close to Gillette the City provides sewer services. Outside of Gillette septic tanks and leach fields are the most common method of sewage disposal. Wastewater fees are calculated based on the amount of water used. The following information is for Wastewater service provided by the City both inside and outside the city limits.

Residential Calculated rate

- Base Charge of \$12.26 plus \$2.88 x the average water usage
 - Average is determined by the amount of water used in December, January and February

Commercial Calculated rate

- Base Charge of \$46.59 plus \$2.88 x the average water usage
 - Average is determined by the amount of water used in December, January and February

Flat Rates

- Home based on 9,000/gal - \$38.18 / month
- Apartment based on 7,000/gal - \$32.42 / month
- Commercial based on 15,000/gal - \$108.55 / month

Solid Waste (Garbage)

Within the Gillette city limits the City provides solid waste service. Outside of Gillette there are two private companies that provide the solid waste service. The rate information provided below is for the City of Gillette.

Residential rate

- \$17.65 per month
- Each additional roll out - \$17.65 per month
- Yard waste container - \$9.60 per month
- Curbside recycling - \$6.00

Commercial rate

The commercial rate is based on the number of containers and the number of times picked up each month. The following table provides the rate information.

Commercial Rate Solid Waste Pickup

Commercial Rates	Number of 3-Yard Containers					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
# of Times Emptied						
2/Month	\$38.20	\$76.40	\$114.60	\$152.80	\$191.05	\$229.25
1/Week	\$76.40	\$133.70	\$191.05	\$248.35	\$305.65	\$362.95
2/Week	\$152.80	\$267.45	\$382.05	\$496.70	\$611.30	\$725.90
3/Week	\$229.25	\$401.15	\$544.45	\$745.00	\$916.95	\$1088.90
4/Week	\$305.65	\$534.90	\$764.10	\$993.35	\$1222.60	\$1451.85
5/Week	\$382.05	\$668.60	\$907.40	\$1241.70	\$1528.25	\$1814.80

Communications

Broadband internet service is critical to business operations. Recognizing this, Energy Capital Economic Development and The City of Gillette recently completed an in-depth study of Broadband service, availability and future growth direction to better support business. The information in this section is from that study.

The existing broadband internet service is adequate for current business needs with either Fiber, wired or wireless services to choose from. Broadband service is available from several sources. 25 Mbps service is available in one form or another in most areas of the city and surrounding area. Multiple providers offer choices in delivery, speed and cost. Most important, based on recommendations from the study, the City is in the process of developing plans, regulations and agreements to achieve the goal of Fiber based, Gigabit broadband service for every business.

EXISTING PROVIDERS: SERVICE OFFERINGS*

The following is a summary of internet providers in Gillette as of June 2019.

Provider	Type	Coverage	Speed
CenturyLink	DSL	92.3% +	100 Mbps
Charter Spectrum	Cable	80.1% +	100 Mbps
Visionary Communications	DSL & Fixed Wireless	56.1% +	50 Mbps
Collins Communications	DSL & Fixed Wireless	33.4% +	25 Mbps
CenturyLink Business	DSL	100%	100 Mbps
Visionary Commnications Business	Fixed Wireless	100%	50 Mbps
Collins Communications Business	Fixed Wireless	43.4% +	25 Mbps
Spectrum Business	Cable	11.1% +	100 Mbps
Verizon Business	Copper	.01% +	6.0 Mbps

*BroadbandNow - [Internet Providers in Gillette, WY: Compare 13 Providers](#)

WIRELINER / FIBER / WIRELESS PROVIDERS

VISIONARY COMMUNICATIONS

Visionary Communications provides data services over twisted pair copper and a limited amount of fiber facilities. Visionary is a multi-state service provider headquartered in Gillette and is very responsive to customer wants and needs. They are willing and eager to provide high speed internet service where it is needed.

CENTURYLINK

CenturyLink is an incumbent telephone company, providing voice and data services primarily over twisted pair copper and fiber network. They have the largest coverage area in Gillette and boast one of the highest speeds.

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS

Charter Communications is a CATV company providing, voice, video, and data services over a hybrid fiber-coaxial cable network. Charter is able to provide Internet access to nearly all of the city's residents. Charter's top speeds on the National Broadband Map are listed at 25 Mbps. Charter today often advertises bundles with 60 Mbps.

Collins Communications

Collins Communications is a local provider. They offer wireless internet service in Gillette, Rozet, Wright, Moorcroft, Pine Haven, Sundance, Newcastle, Buffalo and Sheridan, Wyoming. Their towers will reach many rural areas.