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1 Decision summary

1. In this decision, the Alberta Utilities Commission approves Direct Energy Regulated Services' (DERS) 2024 regulated rate tariff (RRT) and default rate tariff (DRT) interim rates, effective January 1, 2024. The 2024 interim rates are the same as the existing 2023 final rates.

2 Background

2. On November 27, 2023, DERS applied to the Commission requesting approval of interim rates effective January 1, 2024. The requested interim rates consist of:

- (i) RRT and DRT non-energy rates;
- (ii) DRT return margin rate of \$0.065 per gigajoule (/GJ);
- (iii) DRT energy-related rate of \$0.057/GJ; and
- (iv) The monthly amount of \$35,109 for DRT energy-related labour.

3. DERS indicated that the 2024 interim rates are the same as the final 2023 rates approved in Decision 28204-D01-2023¹ and requested that the 2024 interim rates remain in effect until final rates are approved for its next test period.

4. The Commission issued a notice of application on November 28, 2023, requesting that parties register their concerns or support for the application by December 4, 2023. No written submissions were received; therefore, the Commission considers the close of record for the proceeding is December 4, 2023.

5. The Commission reviewed the entire record in coming to this decision; lack of reference to a matter addressed on the record does not mean that it was not considered.

3 Commission findings

6. DERS is requesting continuation of its 2023 final RRT and DRT non-energy rates, as well as continuation of its 2023 final DRT return margin rate of \$0.065/GJ, the 2023 final rate of \$0.057/GJ for certain DRT energy-related costs, and the 2023 final monthly amount of \$35,109 for labour costs associated with DRT energy procurement, all on an interim basis beginning January 1, 2024. Because these amounts have all been previously tested and approved by the Commission, the Commission considers DERS' request to continue these amounts for 2024, on

¹ Decision 28204-D01-2023: Direct Energy Regulated Services, 2023 Default Rate Tariff and Regulated Rate Tariff Compliance Filing, Proceeding 28204, June 23, 2023.

an interim basis, is reasonable and in the public interest. These amounts will be adjusted upon final approval of DERS' 2024-2026 RRT and DRT non-energy application. The Commission therefore approves the interim rates as requested in DERS' application.

7. Once the Commission has approved the 2024 final RRT and DRT non-energy rates, the 2024 final DRT return margin rate, the 2024 final rate for certain DRT energy-related costs, and the 2024 final labour costs associated with DRT energy procurement, DERS will be required to file an application to reflect the difference between the interim rates approved in this decision and the final 2024 approved rates.

4 Order

8. It is hereby ordered that:

- (1) The regulated rate tariff rate schedules for Direct Energy Regulated Services, as set out in [Appendix 2](#) to this decision, are approved on an interim basis, effective January 1, 2024.
- (2) The default rate tariff rate schedules for Direct Energy Regulated Services, as set out in [Appendix 3](#) and [Appendix 4](#) for (North and South), respectively, and attached to this decision, are approved on an interim basis, effective January 1, 2024.
- (3) The default rate tariff return margin rate of \$0.065/GJ for Direct Energy Regulated Services is approved on an interim basis, effective January 1, 2024.
- (4) The default rate tariff rate for certain energy-related costs of \$0.057/GJ for Direct Energy Regulated Services is approved on an interim basis, effective January 1, 2024.
- (5) The default rate tariff monthly amount of \$35,109 for labour costs associated with energy procurement for Direct Energy Regulated Services is approved on an interim basis, effective January 1, 2024.

Dated on December 11, 2023.

Alberta Utilities Commission

(original signed by)

Chris Arnot
Director, Retail Energy and Water
On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Appendix 1 – Proceeding participants

Name of organization (abbreviation) Company name of counsel or representative
Direct Energy Regulated Services (DERS)

Alberta Utilities Commission
Delegated authority C. Arnot, Director, Retail Energy and Water
Commission staff D. Mitchell

Appendix 2 – Electricity RRT 2024 interim rate schedules

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Appendix 3 – North gas DRT 2024 interim rate schedules

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DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES

2024 INTERIM RATE SCHEDULES

FOR ELECTRICITY RRT SERVICE

EFFECTIVE January 1, 2024

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE E1 – RESIDENTIAL SERVICE**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Electric Ltd. (AE) Price Schedule D11 – Standard Residential Service.

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

	DERS Customer Charge	\$0.518 per Day
plus		

	DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.060 per Day
	DERS – Rider C2	
	Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023	
	(Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	

plus	AE Delivery – Customer Charge including Riders
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Variable Charges:

	DERS Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E1	Rider “P”
plus		
	AE Delivery – Energy Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge:	Fixed Charges
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**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE E2 – SMALL GENERAL SERVICE**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Electric Ltd. (AE) Price Schedule D21 Standard Small General Service and Price Schedule D22 Small General Service – Energy Only

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

DERS Customer Charge	\$0.624 per Day
plus	
DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.139 per Day
DERS – Rider C2	
Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023 (Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	

plus
AE Delivery - Customer Charge including Riders

plus
AE Delivery - Demand Charge including Riders

Variable Charges:

DERS Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E2	Rider “P”
plus	
AE Delivery - Energy Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge: **Fixed Charges**

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE E3 – LARGE GENERAL SERVICE**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Electric Ltd. (AE) Price Schedule D31 Large General Service/Industrial, Price Schedule T31 Large General Service/Industrial Transmission Connected, and Price Schedule D32 Generator Interconnection and Standby Power.

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

	DERS Customer Charge	\$0.919 per Day
plus	DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.204 per Day
	DERS – Rider C2	
	Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023 (Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	
plus	AE Delivery - Customer Charge including Riders	
plus	AE Delivery - Demand Charge including Riders	

Variable Charges:

	DERS Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E3	Rider “P”
plus	AE Delivery – Energy Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge:

Fixed Charges

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE E4 – OILFIELD SERVICE**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Electric Ltd. (AE) Price Schedule D41 Small Oilfield and Pumping Power.

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

DERS Customer Charge	\$0.521 per Day
plus	
DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.024 per Day
DERS – Rider C2	
Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023	
(Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	

plus	
AE Delivery - Customer Charge including Riders	
plus	
AE Delivery - Demand Charge including Riders	

Variable Charges:

DERS Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E4	Rider “P”
plus	
AE Delivery – Energy Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge: **Fixed Charges**

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE E5 – FARM SERVICE**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Electric Ltd. (AE) Price Schedule D56 Farm Service.

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

DERS Customer Charge	\$0.530 per Day
plus	
DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.048 per Day
DERS – Rider C2	
Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023	
(Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	

plus
AE Delivery - Customer Charge including Riders

plus
AE Delivery – Demand Charge including Riders

Variable Charges:

DERS Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E5	Rider “P”
plus	
AE Delivery – Energy Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge: **Fixed Charges**

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE E6 – LIGHTING SERVICE**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Electric Ltd. (AE) Price Schedule D61 Street Lighting Service and Price Schedule D63 Private Lighting Service.

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

plus	DERS Customer Charge*	\$0.314 per Day
	DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.073 per Day
	DERS – Rider C2	
	Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023 (Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	

plus	AE Delivery - Customer Charge including Riders
plus	AE Delivery - Demand Charge including Riders

Variable Charges:

DERS Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E6	Rider “P”
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Minimum Monthly Charge: **Fixed Charges**

* The Customer Charge applies per Site

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE E7 – IRRIGATION PUMPING SERVICE**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Electric Ltd. (AE) Price Schedule D25 Irrigation Pumping Service.

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

DERS Customer Charge	\$0.591 per Day
plus	
DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.254 per Day
DERS – Rider C2	
Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023	
(Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	

plus	
AE Delivery - Customer Charge including Riders	
plus	
AE - Demand Charge including Riders	

Variable Charges:

DERS Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E7	Rider “P”
plus	
AE Delivery - Energy Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge: **Fixed Charges**

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
Rider “P” ENERGY CHARGE SCHEDULE**

To be applied to all energy sold to customers served under Rates E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6 and E7.

Energy Charge Schedule:

Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E1	\$TBD per kWh
Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E2	\$TBD per kWh
Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E3	\$TBD per kWh
Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E4	\$TBD per kWh
Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E5	\$TBD per kWh
Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E6	\$TBD per kWh
Energy Charge Applicable to Rate E7	\$TBD per kWh

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
PRICE SCHEDULE**

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|---|---|
| 1. Reconnection Charge
(Section 8.7) | Amount of any applicable ATCO Electric charge |
| 2. Meter Reads,
Supplementary Meter
Reads or Meter Disputes | Amount of any applicable ATCO Electric charge |
| 3. Interval Meter Usage Data | Amount of any applicable ATCO Electric charge |
| 4. Dishonoured Cheque | \$25.00 |
| 5. Late Payment Fee | 1.5% per month of the amount outstanding |
| 6. Fee for Credit Check | Amount equal to the cost of the credit check |

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
GENERAL CONDITIONS**

1. Approval of the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC)

All Rates and Riders of DERS are subject to approval by the AUC.

2. Terms and Conditions of Service

Service under all DERS' Rates and Riders are subject to the Terms and Conditions of Regulated Rate Service of DERS as approved by the AUC.

3. Other ATCO Electric Ltd. (AE) Charges

In addition to the AE charges specifically identified in these Rate Schedules, customer bills will include, as applicable, all other AE charges and Riders as well as any Power Factor Corrections and Price Options, levied by AE and approved by the AUC.



DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
2024 INTERIM RATE SCHEDULES
FOR DRT SERVICE IN ATCO GAS NORTH SERVICE TERRITORY
EFFECTIVE January 1, 2024

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE G1 – LOW AND MID USE DELIVERY SERVICE
ATCO GAS NORTH SERVICE TERRITORY**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. North (AGPLN) Low Use Delivery Service.

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

plus	DERS Customer Charge	\$0.339 per Day
	DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.047 per Day
	DERS – Rider C2	
	Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023 (Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	

plus
AGPLN Delivery – Fixed Charge including Riders

Variable Charges:

plus	DERS Gas Cost Flow-through Rate	Rider “F”
	AGPLN Delivery – Variable Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge: **Fixed Charges**

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE G3 – HIGH USE SERVICE
ATCO GAS NORTH SERVICE TERRITORY**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. North (AGPLN) High Use Delivery Service.

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

	DERS Customer Charge	\$0.595 per Day
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plus

DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.094 per Day
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DERS – Rider C2

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plus

AGPLN Delivery – Fixed Charge including Riders

Variable Charges:

	DERS Gas Cost Flow-through Rate	Rider “F”
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plus

AGPLN Delivery – Variable Charge including Riders

Minimum Monthly Charge:

Fixed Charges

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
Rider "F" GAS COST FLOW-THROUGH
ATCO GAS NORTH SERVICE TERRITORY**

To be applied to all energy sold to customers served under Rates Low Use Delivery Service, Mid Use Delivery Service, High Use Delivery Service.

CHARGES:

Gas Cost Flow-through Rate:

For customers served by ATCO Gas North:

For the Period TBD

\$TBD per GJ

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
PRICE SCHEDULE**

1. Connection Charge (Section 4.1)	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
2. Reconnection Charge (Section 8.7)	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
3. Meter Reads, Off-Cycle Meter Reads or Meter Disputes	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
4. Meter Handling or Meter Relocations	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
5. Customer Usage Information	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
6. Dishonored Cheque	\$25.00
7. Late Payment Fee	1.5% per month of the amount outstanding
8. Fee for Credit Check	Amount equal to the cost of the credit check

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
GENERAL CONDITIONS
ATCO GAS NORTH SERVICE TERRITORY**

1. Approval of the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC)

All Rates and Riders of DERS are subject to approval by the AUC.

2. Terms and Conditions of Service

Service under all DERS' Rates and Riders are subject to the Terms and Conditions of Default Rate Service of DERS as approved by the AUC.

3. Other ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (AGPL) Charges

In addition to the AGPL charges specifically identified in these Rate Schedules, customer bills will include, as applicable, all AGPL charges or riders approved by the AUC.



DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
2024 INTERIM RATE SCHEDULES
FOR DRT SERVICE IN ATCO GAS SOUTH SERVICE TERRITORY
EFFECTIVE January 1, 2024

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE G1 – LOW AND MID USE DELIVERY SERVICE
ATCO GAS SOUTH SERVICE TERRITORY**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. South (AGPLS) Low Use Delivery Service

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

plus	DERS Customer Charge	\$0.339 per Day
	DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.047 per Day
	DERS – Rider C2	
	Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023	
	(Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	
plus	AGPLS Delivery – Fixed Charge including Riders	

Variable Charges:

plus	DERS Gas Cost Flow-through Rate	Rider “F”
	AGPLS Delivery – Variable Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge: **Fixed Charges**

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE G3 – LARGE USE SERVICE
ATCO GAS SOUTH SERVICE TERRITORY**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. South (AGPLS) High Use Delivery Service.

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

	DERS Customer Charge	\$0.595 per Day
plus	DERS – Riders (as applicable) DERS – Rider C2 Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023 (Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	\$0.094 per Day
plus	AGPLS Delivery – Fixed Charge including Riders	

Variable Charges:

	DERS Gas Cost Flow-through Rate	Rider “F”
plus	AGPLS Delivery – Variable Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge: **Fixed Charges**

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
RATE G5 – IRRIGATION DELIVERY SERVICE
ATCO GAS SOUTH SERVICE TERRITORY**

Available to all customers eligible for ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. South (AGPLS)
Irrigation Delivery Service

CHARGES:

Fixed Charges:

plus	DERS Customer Charge	\$0.356 per Day
	DERS – Riders (as applicable)	\$0.112 per Day
	DERS – Rider C2	
	Approved by Decision 28362-D01-2023	
	(Effective October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	

plus
AGPLS Delivery – Fixed Charge including Riders

Variable Charges:

	DERS Gas Cost Flow-through Rate	Rider “F”
plus	AGPLS Delivery – Variable Charge including Riders	

Minimum Monthly Charge: **Fixed Charges**

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
Rider "F" GAS COST FLOW-THROUGH
ATCO GAS SOUTH SERVICE TERRITORY**

To be applied to all energy sold to customers served under Rates Low Use Delivery Service, Mid Use Delivery Service, High Use Delivery Service and Irrigation Delivery Service

CHARGES:

Gas Cost Flow-through Rate:

For customers served by ATCO Gas South:

For the Period TBD

\$TBD per GJ

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
PRICE SCHEDULE**

1. Connection Charge (Section 4.1)	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
2. Reconnection Charge (Section 8.7)	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
3. Meter Reads, Off-Cycle Meter Reads or Meter Disputes	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
4. Meter Handling or Meter Relocations	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
5. Customer Usage Information	Amount of any applicable ATCO Gas charge
6. Dishonored Cheque	\$ 25.00
7. Late Payment Fee	1.5% per month of the amount outstanding
8. Fee for Credit Check	Amount equal to the cost of the credit check

**DIRECT ENERGY REGULATED SERVICES
(DERS)
GENERAL CONDITIONS
ATCO GAS SOUTH SERVICE TERRITORY**

1. Approval of the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC)

All Rates and Riders of DERS are subject to approval by the AUC.

2. Terms and Conditions of Service

Service under all DERS' Rates and Riders are subject to the Terms and Conditions of Default Rate Service of DERS as approved by the AUC.

3. Other ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (AGPL) Charges

In addition to the AGPL charges specifically identified in these Rate Schedules, customer bills will include, as applicable, all AGPL charges or riders approved by the AUC.