



## ELECTRIC RATES WILL CHANGE IN JULY



At its April 17 meeting, the Public Utilities Board approved a 5 percent overall rate increase to help replace aging infrastructure while maintaining reliable service for customers.

The increase, which goes into effect on July 1, will also address increased transmission and overhead costs.

### FAIRNESS FOR ALL CUSTOMERS

The increase also helps AMP continue to move toward a structure that ensures fairness for all customers by aligning the rates for each customer class with the cost of

providing service. As a community-owned and locally operated electric system, AMP does not make a profit on rates.

### INDIVIDUAL INCREASES WILL VARY

While the rate increase approved by the Board averages 5 percent for all customers, the percentage of the increase will vary depending on the customer's rate class (e.g. residential, commercial, municipal, etc.). AMP's electric rates will continue to be 16 percent below PG&E's rates on average.

### AN AVERAGE MONTHLY BILL

A typical residential customer with an average monthly bill of \$59 can expect to see an increase of approximately \$4.00 to his or her monthly bill.

### AMP PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

AMP offers a variety of programs and services for customers who are interested in understanding their energy use or who are having trouble paying their utility bills.

For those interested in lowering their energy usage, AMP offers energy efficiency programs and rebates to help customers conserve power. Customers can also request a free energy audit to learn how to manage their energy usage.

### LEARN MORE

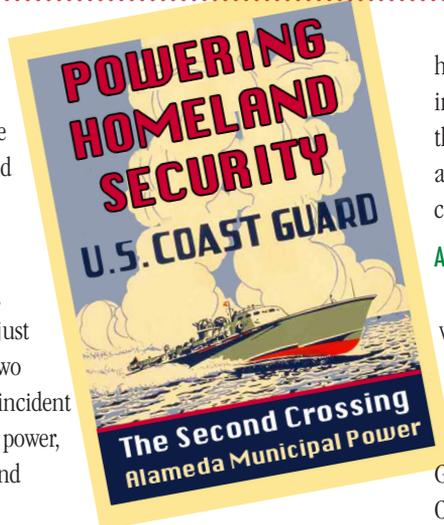
Visit [www.alamedamp.com](http://www.alamedamp.com) to view materials from the Board's April 17 meeting and to learn more about AMP's programs and services.

## IMPROVING ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR THE COAST GUARD

The U.S. Coast Guard protects our ports and waterways and provides homeland security for the nation. Situated in the middle of the Oakland Estuary, Coast Guard Island relies on AMP for its electricity.

### MORE RELIABLE POWER

Throughout the city of Alameda, AMP's power system is built so that just about every house or business has two electrical power paths. If there's an incident in one direction that interferes with power, AMP can reroute power from a second source.



Coast Guard Island, however, has had to rely on a single source. To improve electric service reliability to this vital branch of the Armed Forces, a project to build a second electrical crossing began in 2014.

### A NEW MILESTONE

A new milestone for this project was recently reached as AMP crews pulled in over 1,800 feet of high-voltage feeder cable and fiber-optic cable from the end of Grand Street, under the estuary, to Coast Guard Island.

COMMUNITY:  
**CLIMATE CHANGE WORKSHOP**



**YOU'RE INVITED TO A CLIMATE CHANGE WORKSHOP**

Do you know how green our island is? Hint: Really darn green. Join the city of Alameda and Community Action for a Sustainable Alameda (CASA) for a climate change workshop on May 23.

**GET INVOLVED**

Learn how city departments have used the Local Action Climate Plan to combat greenhouse-gas emissions since 2008. Plus, get involved in Alameda's plans for a sustainable future.

**AT THE MAIN LIBRARY**

May 23 - 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Alameda Main Library (Stafford Room)

ENERGY INVIEW PROGRAM:  
**BENEFITS OF SMART METERS**



Our Energy inView Program began rolling out across the island in April. It includes an upgrade of your existing meter to a smart meter and new mobile and account management tools. The installation of all new meters will be completed by the end of this year.

**THE BENEFITS OF SMART METERS**

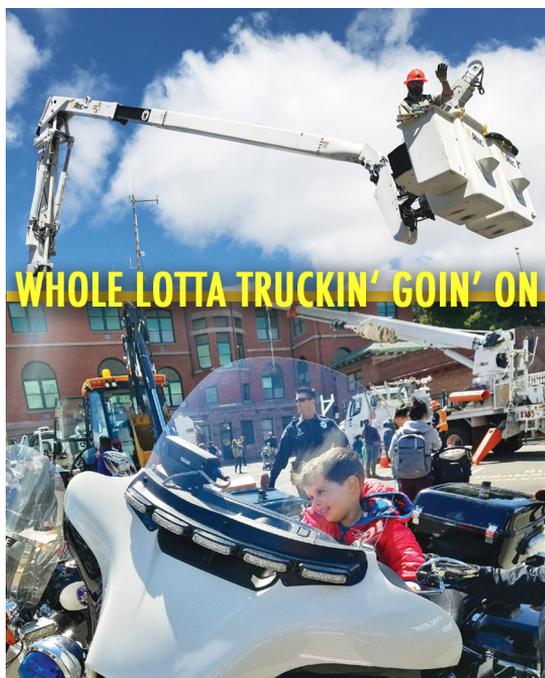
- Your electric usage information is sent wirelessly, so AMP won't need to access your property each month.
- Fewer vehicle trips means fewer greenhouse-gas emissions in Alameda.
- Outages reported via an electronic signal to AMP
- Makes potential new rate options possible

**MOBILE OPTIONS ARE COMING IN THE FALL**

In the fall, we'll launch our new mobile options and account management tools. You'll be able to pay your bill from any device anywhere and at any time you choose, and sign up for text alerts on when your bill is due. Plus, you'll be able to track your energy use for every hour of the day.

**NO COST TO YOU**

The upgraded meter and new options will come with no additional cost to you. Learn more about Energy inView at [www.alamedamp.com/inview](http://www.alamedamp.com/inview).



**WHOLE LOTTA TRUCKIN' GOIN' ON**

Did you see AMP's HUGE utility trucks at the city of Alameda's Big Truck Bonanza in April? It's a great annual kid-friendly event that also included fire engines and police vehicles.

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