



September 2023	Gas Rate \$ 2.84/GJ
October 2023	Gas Rate \$ 2.59/GJ

## SCHOLARSHIP

Every year, Meota Gas offers a scholarship to children of Meota's members.

An award of one (1) \$ 1,000 or two (2) \$ 500 scholarships are granted by Meota's Board of Directors annually through recommendations from the Awards Committee at the discretion of Meota's Board of Directors.

For complete application and information package, please contact our office, or visit our website to download the package.

Application Deadline: October 31, 2023

Awards Timeline: after November 30, 2023

## IDENTIFYING GAS LEAKS

Meota staff undertake annual leak detection on our system to ensure our system stays sound and to minimize any gas loss within the system. Leak detection is completed by way of line walking, meter testing, meter inspections and monthly RMO station checks. However, we also rely on our customers to call us if they notice any outdoor or indoor odours as well as any noticeable defects to ground. Natural gas is odourless so mercaptan is added to detect any natural gas exposure. Mercaptan levels are monitored monthly to ensure that the appropriate amount is added.

Meota discovered a gas leak in September in the north eastern part of our franchise area. If you see any areas on your lands that appear as extremely dry soil, dead growth areas, dead flies/insects accompanied by a gas odour smell, please call us so that we can investigate.



*Above - Hay field showing dead grass area and extreme arid soil - indicating gas leak area*



*Above - Excavation of gas leak area – white area indicating gas leak*

## CONSTRUCTION

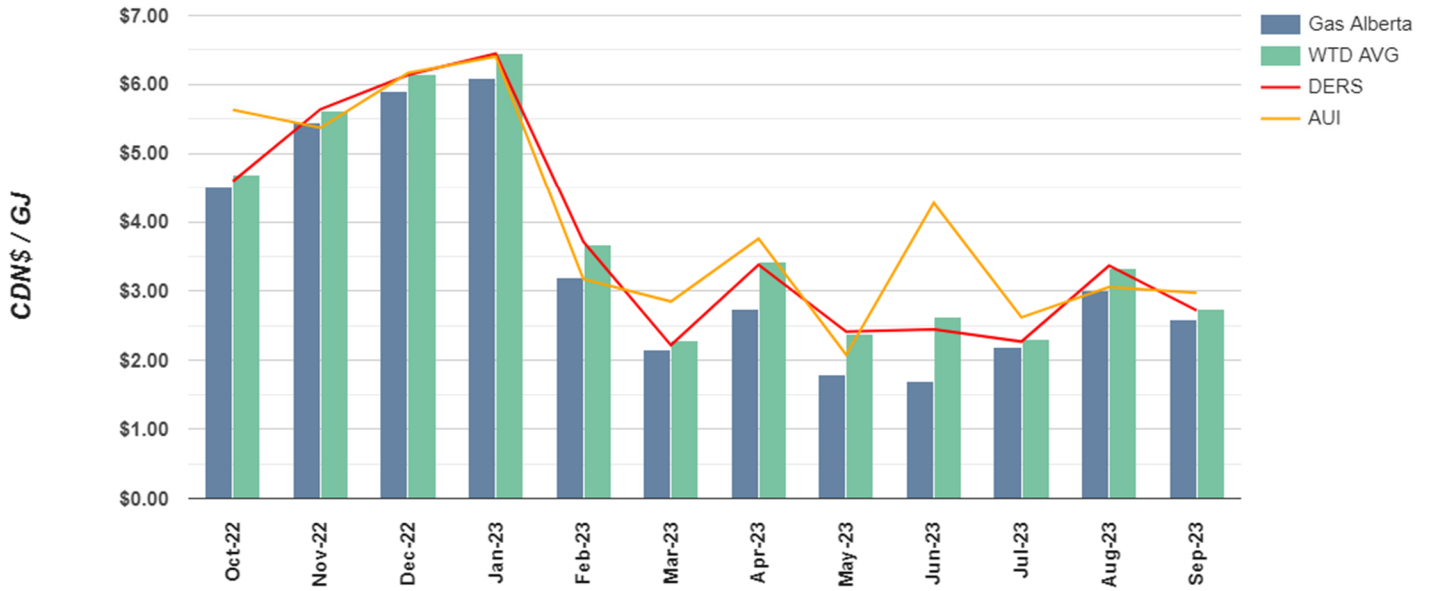
Meota had an unprecedented year of the volume of gas distribution construction in the area. New services, alterations to existing services along with a rather large TC Project kept the staff very busy. Construction is continuing during October. With the TC Pathway project and construction activities, comes an increase in locate requests and first call response. Building activity includes Whiskey Springs subdivision and a handful of lots in the Priddis area along with power pole replacements by FortisAlberta.

## METER EXCHANGES

Due to the delay of supply chain, our meters change program started in September, but will continue on over the next two months. Measurement Canada requires gas distributors to change our meters at specific intervals. This reverification ensures that your gas meter is tested for accuracy in measurement.

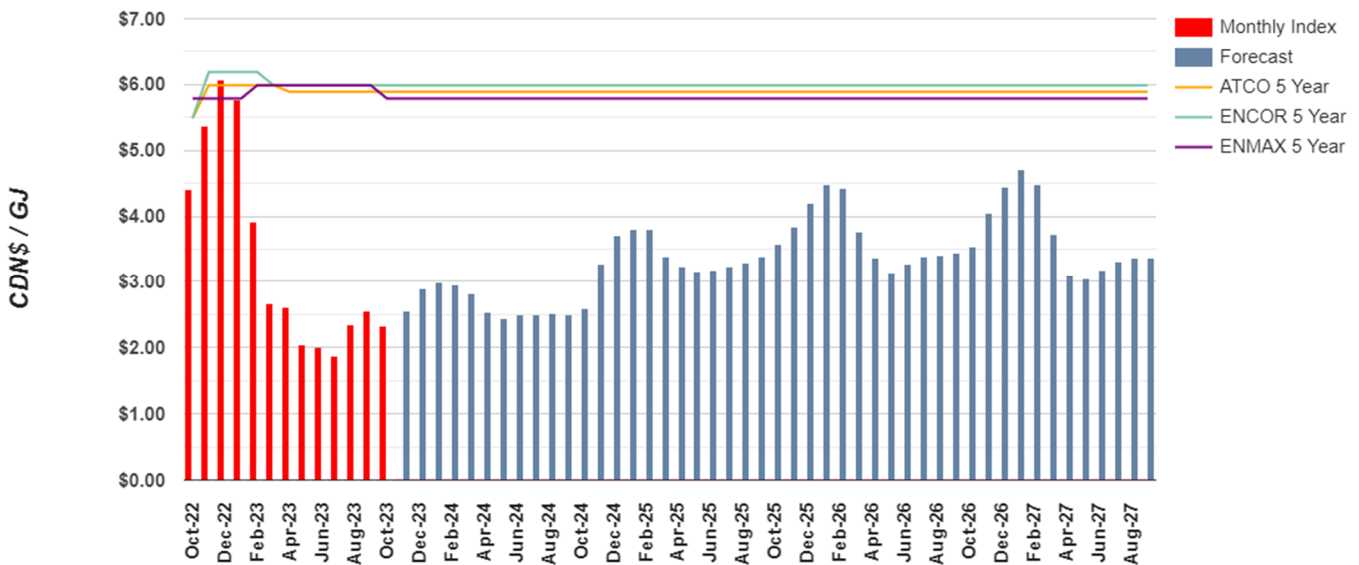
If your meter is due for exchange this year, we will contact you to set up an appointment for change out. The exchange means that gas service will be interrupted at your home. Once the meter is changed out, we will relight any of your natural gas appliances as needed and will need access to these appliances.

## NATURAL GAS COST COMPARISON



WTD – Weighted Average DERS – Direct Energy Regulated Services AUI – Apex Utilities Inc. (FORMERLY ALTA GAS)

## Natural Gas Retailer Rates in Alberta



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