Gas rates for December 2009 based on fluctuation in gas resource cost and adjustment of gas rates

Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd.

In accordance with the provisions for rate adjustment for gas resource costs, Tokyo Gas has set the unit commodity charge for meter readings in December 2009 upward by 1.18 yen per cubic meter (45MJ) relative to the corresponding charge for meter reading for November 2009.

This adjustment is based on the average gas resource prices over the months of July to September 2009, reflecting new gas rate adjustment system introduced in May 2009 and special measure to alleviate excessive fluctuation in rate adjustment for gas resource costs for regulated gas tariffs.

With this adjustment, for meter readings during December of the standard household consuming 34m3(45MJ/ month) in the Tokyo district etc., the monthly gas tariff will increase by 40 yen (tax included) from that of November (previous month).

Gas rates for the month December 2009

(1) Supply contract rate schedule
 (Application of rate schedule A~F as appropriate for the amount of gas use in the month in question)

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	Rate A	Rate B	Rate C	Rate D	Rate E	Rate F	
Monthly consumption	0 to	21 to	81 to	201 to	501 to	over 801 m ³	
volume	20m^3	80 m^3	200 m^3	500 m^3	800 m^3	over 801 III	
Basic charge	724.50	1,081.50	1,333.50	2,467.50	5,722.50	13,618.50	
(yen/month)	124.50	1,001.00	1,555.50	2,407.50	5,722.50	15,016.50	
Commodity	100.00	110.00	115.00	100 41	100.00	00.00	
charge(yen/m3)	136. 08	118. 23	115. 08	109. 41	102. 90	93. 03	
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Commodity charge(yen/m3)	(134. 90)	(117.05)	(113. 90)	(108. 23)	(101.72)	(91.85)	
November 2009							

Monthly consumption volume of 34 cubic meters(45MJ/m3) Charge applied for November 2009 Charge applied for December 2009

^{*}The volume of standard customer is calculated based on the average of 5years (FY2001-2005) usage per household per month.

2. Fluctuation in gas resource prices

(1) Actual gas resource cost

Standard average ga	53,810	
Average gas resource July – Septemb	38,900	
	LNG	38,490
	LPG	49,110
Difference	-14,910	

Note: Both LNG and LPG prices are based on customs clearance statistics.

(2) Calculation of unit charge

Calculation of unit charge adjustment for gas resource costs

Calculation of average gas resource prices

Average LNG price 38,490 yen/ton x 0.9604

(customs clearance statistics value)

Average LPG price 49,110 yen /ton x 0.0393

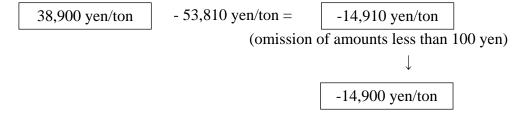
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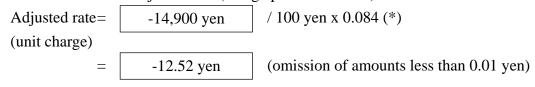
↓ (rounding to the nearest ten yen)

38,900 yen/ton

• Calculation of the amount of gas resource price fluctuation



• Calculation of the adjusted rate (charge per cubic meter)



- * The unit commodity charge is adjusted by $0.084(0.080 \times 1.05)$ yen per cubic meter for every 100 yen of fluctuation
- Additional unit cost by special measure to alleviate excessive fluctuation in rate adjustment for gas resource costs for regulated gas tariffs over the months April 2009

 March 2010.

Additional unit cost = 0.94yen

(*In case of general supply contract and residential optional contract)

Additional unit cost = 0.59yen

(*In case of optional contract except for residential one)

Additional unit cost for transferring to new gas rate system over the months May 2009
 March 2010.

Additional unit cost = 2.83yen

- •Calculation of the adjusted rate (charge per cubic meter) for December 2009 gas tariff
- < General supply contract and residential optional contract>

Calculation of the adjusted rate = \begin{array}{c} -12.52 & yen \\ + \\ 2.83 & yen \\ + \\ 0.94 & yen \\ = \end{array} \quad \text{(Gas resource cost adjustment)} \\ + \text{(Additional cost for the transition period)} \\ + \text{(Additional cost for special measure)} \\ = \text{(Change)} \end{array}

< Optional contract except for residential one>

* Effect on a standard customer in residential sector

yen/month

Monthly consumption volume of 34 cubic meters(45MJ/m³)	Charge applied for November 2009 (After special measure applied*)	Charge applied for December 2009 (After special measure applied*)	Change
Including the national consumption tax	5,061	5,101	40

Omission of amounts less than one yen in the calculation of the charge inclusive of the national consumption tax

*Method of calculation for the standard gas rate in residential sector (excluding the national consumption tax)

Commodity charge at the time of notification of the rate revision

Reference: Outline of the new gas resource cost adjustment scheme (implemented from May 2009 gas bill)

- * The scheme provides for adjustment of the unit commodity charge in gas rates (i.e., the charge per cubic meter of gas consumed) every month in correspondence with fluctuation in gas resource prices owing to factors such as exchange rates and crude oil prices.
- * The unit commodity charge is adjusted by 0.084 yen per cubic meter for each 100 yen of fluctuation in gas resource price, based on the difference between the standard average gas resource price (53,810 yen per ton) and average gas resource price (calculated on the basis of weighted average cost of LNG and LPG import prices in the previous 3-5 months).
- * The fluctuation in gas resource prices is calculated on the basis of actual values in customs clearance statistics for both LNG and LPG.
- * Arrangement has been made to avoid price hike.
 - Even if the average gas resource price exceeds the upper limit of 86,100 yen, the amount of 86,100 yen is applied in the calculation of the gas rate adjustment.
- * The gas resource cost that will be not reflected to the tariff because of this transition, will be added on to the tariffs from May 2009 through March 2010.
- * The scheme is not applied to Gunma district. Gunma district is currently applying for an introduction of the gas cost adjustment system from January 1st 2010.