



PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY COMMISSION

2026 FOURTH QUARTER TARIFF REVIEW DECISION FOR ELECTRICITY AND WATER

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1.0 Background

The Public Utilities Regulatory Commission wishes to inform consumers of electricity and water that; the existing electricity and water tariffs of the third Quarter have not changed (0%), but remain same in the fourth Quarter. These rates would be applicable in the Fourth Quarter, effective October 01, 2026. This is in line with the Commission's mandate to review tariffs on a quarterly basis to reflect developments within the Quarter. These Quarterly reviews are undertaken by the Commission to maintain the real value of the existing tariffs, which would enable the utility service providers to remain financially viable and to deliver on their services to consumers, bearing in mind the impact of these tariffs on the wellbeing of consumers in general. The operational factors considered during the Quarter are the exchange rate between the Ghana Cedi (GHS) and the United States Dollar (US\$), domestic inflation rate, electricity generation mix, and the cost of fuel, mainly natural gas to power the thermal plants.

2.0 Factors Considered

The Commission in its analysis, considered the following:

- **Ghana Cedi-US Dollar Exchange Rate**
The Commission applied a Weighted Average Ghana Cedi-US Dollar Exchange Rate of **GHS11.5646/US\$1.0000** for the Fourth Quarter of 2026, which indicates a 3.04% depreciation of the Ghana Cedi from the applicable Third Quarter rate of GHS11.2228/ US\$1.0000.
- **Inflation Rate**
The Commission also applied an average annual inflation rate of 4.97% for the Fourth Quarter of 2026, indicating an upward review of 44.89% from the previous quarter's average annual rate of 3.43%.
- **Price of Natural Gas**
The Commission applied a Weighted Average Cost of Gas (WACOG) price of USD7.8379/MMBtu indicating a downward adjustment of 1.67% from the previous Quarter's rate of USD7.9708/MMBtu.
- **Electricity Generation Mix (Hydro: Thermal Mix)**
The projected generation from hydro sources inched up by approximately 16.03% moving from 20.90% in the Third Quarter to 24.25% in the Fourth Quarter. On the other hand, projected generation from thermal sources declined by approximately 4.24% in the Fourth Quarter, declining from a high of 79.10% in the Third Quarter to 75.75% in the Fourth Quarter.

Summary of the applicable indicators are presented in Table-1.

Table 1: Summary of Applicable Indicators

Item Description	Unit	Assumptions for Q3 2026 Expires, September 30, 2026.	Q4 2026 Assumptions Effective, October 01, 2026.
Generation Mix:			
Hydro	%	20.90	24.25
Thermal	%	79.10	75.75
Exchange Rate:	GHS/USD	11.2228	11.5646
Inflation:			
Projected Annual Average	%	3.43	4.97
Fuel Price:			
Natural Gas (WACoG)	US\$/MMBtu	7.9708	7.8379

3.0 Electricity Tariff Results

The overall impact of the above factors of Hydro-Thermal Generation Mix, Ghana Cedi-US Dollar Exchange Rate, Inflation Rate, and Natural Gas Price, on electricity tariff determination led the Commission to arrive at a decision not to adjust Electricity Tariffs for the Fourth Quarter of 2026.

Table 2: Summary of Approved Electricity Rates Payable by Consumers Effective October 01, 2026

Summary of PURC Projected End User Electricity Tariffs for Q4 2026				
Customer Category	Measure	Existing Tariff (Expires on September 30, 2026)	New Tariff (Effective October 01, 2026)	New Tariff Percentage Change (%)
Residential Customer Group:				
Lifeline Customers:				
0 - 30 kWh (Exclusive)	GHp/kWh	89.9315	89.9315	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	213.0000	213.0000	0.00
All Other Residential Customers:				
0-300 kWh	GHp/kWh	203.7509	203.7509	0.00
301+ kWh	GHp/kWh	269.2235	269.2235	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	1073.0886	1073.0886	0.00
Non-Residential Customers:				
0-300 kWh	GHp/kWh	183.9549	183.9549	0.00
301+ kWh	GHp/kWh	224.0395	224.0395	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	1242.8245	1242.8245	0.00
Special Load Tariff (SLT) Customers:				
Low Voltage - LV				
Energy Charge per kWh	GHp/kWh	240.2104	240.2104	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	50000.0000	50000.0000	0.00
Medium Voltage - MV				
Energy Charge per kWh	GHp/kWh	208.6329	208.6329	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	50000.0000	50000.0000	0.00
Medium Voltage - MV-2				
Energy Charge per kWh	GHp/kWh	136.6512	136.6512	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	50000.0000	50000.0000	0.00
High Voltage - HV				
Energy Charge per kWh	GHp/kWh	188.4762	188.4762	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	50000.0000	50000.0000	0.00
EV Charging				
Energy Charge per kWh	GHp/kWh	208.6329	208.6329	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	50000.0000	50000.0000	0.00

4.0 Water Tariff Results

Water Tariffs have equally not been adjusted for the fourth quarter of 2026, but remain same as in the third quarter of 2026. Results from analyses of the indicators in Table 1 above and their impact on water tariffs to be paid by consumers are presented in Table 3.

Table 3: Summary of Approved Water Rates Payable by Consumers Effective October 01, 2026

Summary of Water Tariffs for Fourth Quarter 2026				
Customer Class	Measure	Existing Tariff (expires June 30, 2026)	New Tariff Effective July 01, 2026	New Tariff Percentage Change (%)
Residential				
0-5M ³ (Lifeline)	GHp/m ³	598.5381	598.5381	0.00
5M ³ +	GHp/m ³	1,058.9413	1,058.9413	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	1,000.0000	1,000.0000	0.00
Non-Residential				
	GHp/m ³	1,791.5225	1,791.5225	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	2,000.0000	2,000.0000	0.00
Commercial				
	GHp/m ³	3,205.1425	3,205.1425	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	2,000.0000	2,000.0000	0.00
Sachet Water Producers				
	GHp/m ³	2,820.5254	2,820.5254	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	10,000.0000	10,000.0000	0.00
Bottled Water and Drinks				
	GHp/m ³	3,205.1425	3,205.1425	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	25,000.0000	25,000.0000	0.00
Industrial				
	GHp/m ³	3,205.1425	3,205.1425	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	25,000.0000	25,000.0000	0.00
Public Institutions/Gov't Departments				
	GHp/m ³	1,538.4684	1,538.4684	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	2,000.0000	2,000.0000	0.00
Public Stand Pipes				
	GHp/m ³	717.0618	717.0618	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	2,000.0000	2,000.0000	0.00
Ports and Harbours				
	GHp/m ³	4,192.3264	4,192.3264	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	50,000.0000	50,000.0000	0.00
Bulk Supply				
	GHp/m ³	1,016.2738	1,016.2738	0.00
Service Charge	GHp/Month	5,000.0000	5,000.0000	0.00

The Commission is grateful to all its stakeholders for their support in implementing these Quarterly Tariff Reviews, which will help address changes in operational parameters, that are beyond the control of service providers. The Commission is equally mindful of consumers' concerns on quality of service and will continue to monitor operations of the regulated service providers, to hold them accountable to the Commission's regulatory standards and benchmarks to ensure value for money and improved quality of service delivery.

The Commission's decision will be published in the gazette in due course and will be available on the Commission's website: www.purc.com.gh. For further clarification, please call Dr. Eric Obutey; Director, Research and Corporate Affairs of the PURC on 0242264081.

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