

Rye Community Power: New Electric Supply Rates

August 1, 2026 through January 31, 2027

Starting August 1, Eversource and the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (CPCNH) will have new electric supply rates for the next six-month period.

CPCNH's Granite Basic rate will increase by 1.95%, from 14.663 to 14.949 cents per kilowatt-hour. The rate is projected to cover the costs of energy and maintain a positive member-controlled reserve balance. If current projections hold, CPCNH expects its member reserves to continue to rebuild towards the required target level during the next six-month rate period.

Eversource's supply rate will increase by 23.94%, from 11.303 to 14.009 cents per kilowatt-hour. Eversource initially proposed a rate of approximately 15 cents per kWh, partly to begin [recovering \\$38 million in prior under collections](#). The NH Public Utilities Commission approved the lower rate of 14.009 cents. As a result, Eversource will have to recover the remaining balance over a longer period and may incur further under-collections.

At average residential use of 650 kWh per month, a CPCNH Granite Basic customer will pay approximately \$6.11 per month more for electricity supply than an Eversource default service customer. Delivery charges are the same regardless of the electricity supplier. RCP customers have accumulated approximately \$230,000 in electricity-supply savings from the program's launch through March 2026.

CPCNH has also reported progress in its regulatory work. [A proposed settlement in Unitil's distribution rate case includes steps toward hourly customer data, time-of-use rates, improved treatment of solar and battery exports, and secure customer sharing of advanced-meter data](#). CPCNH states that these improvements could eventually support net-metering customers, solar-plus-storage programs, peak-reduction programs, and more flexible electricity rates. The settlement still requires regulatory approval and applies to Unitil, not Eversource, so it does not yet change service for Rye customers.

Rye residents have several electricity-supply choices: remain with Rye Community Power, select a CPCNH option containing 33%, 50%, or 100% renewable energy, switch to Eversource default service, or choose a competitive third-party supplier. Customers may opt in, opt out, or change their CPCNH product at any time without penalty.

To review your options or make a change: Visit <https://www.communitypowernh.gov/community/rye>, call 1-866-603-7697, or email Info@CommunityPowerNH.gov.

The Energy Committee is happy to answer your questions. You can reach us at ryenhec@gmail.com. Join us for a presentation called "How to Save on Your Electric Bill" at Rye Town Hall on Wednesday, August 19, at 7:00 PM or by Zoom at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6039648562?pwd=S292bmg2REd6a25KTTB1UTRneVFGQT09&omn=81629170155>