

Please take notice that the Village of Greene is proposing to raise its electric rates on February 1, 2026, followed by a second increase the following year. The Village's proposal, now under review before the New York State Public Service Commission, would increase the monthly bill for customers served under all service classes by approximately 23.5% starting February 1, 2026, and then by 5.8% the following year. The Village Board of Trustees has determined that this increase is necessary to continue providing safe and reliable service. Even after the increase, our rates will remain some of the lowest in the state and significantly lower than the rates of NYSEG customers.

In the Fiscal Year ending May 31, 2025, the Village's electric department operated at a loss of \$50,000. On top of the operating loss, the Village must also upgrade existing infrastructure and accommodate cost-of-living wage increases for its employees and collect revenues sufficient to cover sizeable increases in health and workers' compensation insurance.

A decision to raise rates is never taken lightly. The proposed rates, as approved by the Village Board of Trustees, were determined to be the minimum required to continue providing the level of service you deserve. All of the State's electric utilities are facing similar pressures and have been compelled to increase rates. However, because the Village's electric system is publicly-owned we are able to provide electric service at a significantly lower cost. Our electric system is an invaluable asset for our community. We must invest in it to ensure that it continues serving our residents for generations to come.

The filing before the Commission is available online at the Department of Public Service website, www.dps.ny.gov, by clicking on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files") and entering "25-E-0463" in the box labelled "Search by Case Number." If you wish to comment on the proposal, you can reach out to us at: The Village of Greene, 49 Genesee Street, PO Box 207, Greene, NY 13778. If you would like to comment to the Commission directly, you can go to www.dps.ny.gov, click on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files"), enter "25-E-0463" in the box labelled "Search by Case Number," and then click on "Post Comments" located at the top right of the page.

Alternatively, comments may be mailed to the Hon. Michelle L Phillips, Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350.