

# UNDERSTANDING RISING ELECTRIC BILLS IN 2025

The Zelienople Electric Department works hard on residents' behalf, yet not all aspects of electric industry services are within our control. One provision of electric service is called capacity, and it is slated to increase electric bills starting in July.

The Borough of Zelienople Electric Department takes pride in providing reliable and affordable electric service, yet not all aspects of electric industry services are within our control. While the Borough has not raised rates since 2018, one provision of electric service called capacity is slated to increase electric bills across PJM, the regional transmission organization. PJM oversees the electric supply across 13 states and the District of Columbia, consisting of 65 million people and their responsibility is meeting the need at all times. Our local electric system is part of a regional grid that ensures reliable power, even on the hottest and coldest days of the year.

The Borough has been monitoring this issue very closely for the last several months. We understand that rising rates impact household budgets and we strive to keep rates manageable. While the Borough is raising rates 3%, the Borough is absorbing approximately 7% of the increase for the customer and our rates will remain lower than those of other electric utility providers in the region. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Borough Office.

