



**BUDGET BILLING PLAN APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

Phone-home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Check One - I am the: Home Owner  or Renter

Check One - The residence is: Single Family  or Multi Unit  or Mobile

Number in Household \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Are you on the Senior or Low Income Disabled Discount Program? Yes  or No

For more information about the Budget Billing Plan or the City of Port Angeles' Conservation Program, please call (360) 457-0411, press (0).



## Budget Billing Plan

*We can help make those high winter utility bills more manageable.*

If the increase in winter electric bills makes it difficult to manage your expenses our Budget Billing Plan may be the answer.

Budget Billing lets you combine those high winter bills, along with the rest of the year's bills, into equal monthly payments. That way you can better plan your monthly expenses. The plan averages your utility bills over a 12 month period based on the previous year's consumption. We will bill you each month 1/12<sup>th</sup> of the last yearly utility charges at your current service address. If you have not lived at your current address for one year, we will use the utility charges of the prior tenant. We will continue to read your utility meters monthly.

Every June, our system will review and calculate the difference between the amount of your actual utility charges and the amount that you have paid. Our Utility billing system will then apply the actual charges to your account. At this time you will be asked to pay for any charges above the averaged amount, or if you have overpaid resulting in a credit on your account, a refund will be sent to you.

We will then re-adjust your monthly budget-billing amount at this time to reflect your last year's usage and a new year of averaged payments will begin again.

You are expected to pay the full amount of the bill every month. If you miss more than one payment, you may automatically be dropped from the Budget Billing Plan and the total balance of your account will be due in full and may be subject to late charges. There are **no cost savings** with the Budget Billing Plan. It is important that you are still conservative with your monthly consumption. Unfortunately, we are unable to predict the weather or any future rate increases.

It's easy to qualify for Budget Billing and you can leave the plan at any time. There are no income guidelines and there are no fees for plan membership. Charges for solid waste, sewer, and Medic I will be included in your monthly bill. If you are a participant in the City of Port Angeles' "Pass the Buck" program, those charges will also be included.